



2007 ASSEMBLY JOINT RESOLUTION 97

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1 **Relating to:** recognizing February 2008 as American Heart Month and February 1,
2 2008, as Wear Red For Women Day.

3 Whereas, diseases of the heart are the nation's leading cause of death and
4 stroke is the third leading cause of death; and

5 Whereas, cardiovascular diseases claim the lives of over 460,000 American
6 females (about one death per minute) each year and nearly 9,000 women in
7 Wisconsin; and

8 Whereas, of the females who die each year, 53 percent die from cardiovascular
9 disease as compared to 47 percent men, and about 32,500 more females than males
10 die from a stroke; and

11 Whereas, in 2008 the estimated direct and indirect cost of cardiovascular
12 diseases and stroke in the United States is estimated at \$448.5 billion; and

13 Whereas, more women die of cardiovascular disease than the next 5 leading
14 causes of death combined, including all cancers; and

