



2013 ASSEMBLY JOINT RESOLUTION 58

October 9, 2013 - Introduced by Representative NERISON, cosponsored by Senator MOULTON. Referred to Committee on Rules.

1 **Relating to:** declaring October 2013 Co-op Month.

2 Whereas, cooperatives are independent member-owned and
3 member-controlled businesses, organized to process and market products and goods
4 for their members; and

5 Whereas, cooperatives serve many needs, including credit and financial
6 services, health care, child care, housing, insurance, and legal and professional
7 services; and

8 Whereas, cooperatives sell food, farm supplies, hardware, and recreational
9 equipment, and provide electricity, telephone, and Internet services; and

10 Whereas, today approximately 2.9 million Wisconsinites depend on
11 approximately 650 cooperatives to provide these needed goods and services; and

12 Whereas, cooperatives help grow Wisconsin's economy, supporting nearly
13 20,000 jobs for Wisconsin residents and recording about \$8.6 billion in gross sales
14 each year; and

