

State of Misconsin 2017 - 2018 LEGISLATURE

2017 SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION 14

March 2, 2017 – Introduced by Senators HARSDORF, HANSEN and LASEE. Referred to Committee on Senate Organization.

1	Relating to: recognizing March 6, 2017, as World Lymphedema Day.
2	Whereas, lymphedema is a chronic, debilitating disease that results in
3	disfiguring swelling due to the accumulation of fluid in the limbs when the lymphatic
4	system is damaged; and
5	Whereas, it is estimated that lymphedema affects up to 10 million Americans
6	and 170 million people worldwide; and
7	Whereas, because the disease is aligned with lymph node removal, the disease
8	may affect up to 30 percent of women who have survived breast cancer and may also
9	affect people who have survived prostate cancer, ovarian cancer and melanoma; and
10	Whereas, veterans may suffer the disease as a result of battle injury or trauma
11	from surgery; and
12	Whereas, lymphedema can be hereditary and affect children born with the
13	disease; and
14	Whereas, the United States Senate established World Lymphedema Day in
15	2016; and

1	Whereas, the Lymphatic Education & Research Network (LE&RN) is working
2	to bring attention to lymphatic diseases and lymphedema in the hopes that new
3	treatments will be discovered and a cure can someday be found; and
4	Whereas, the Wisconsin Chapter of LE&RN is working to bring awareness of
5	the disease to the people of our state; now, therefore, be it
6	Resolved by the senate, the assembly concurring, That March 6, 2017, is
7	recognized as World Lymphedema Day in Wisconsin; and, be it further
8	Resolved, That the senate chief clerk shall provide copies of this joint
9	resolution to the Wisconsin Chapter of LE&RN.
10	(END)