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February 10, 1999 – Introduced by Senators Jauch, Cowles, Baumgart, Moen, Burke, Erpenbach, Grobschmidt, Breske, Welch, Decker, Wirch and Darling, cosponsored by Representatives Krug, Musser, F. Lasee, Urban, Plale, Ott, Colon, Hasenohrl, La Fave, Plouff, Kreuser, Boyle, Black, Gronemus, Richards, Kelso, Kedzie and Sherman. Referred to Committee on Agriculture, Environmental Resources and Campaign Finance Reform.

Relating to: urging the U.S. and Canadian governments to prohibit diversion of 1 2 Great Lakes water. 3 Whereas, the water within the Great Lakes basin is a precious natural resource that needs to be carefully and cooperatively managed and protected to meet existing 4 5 and future water needs within the Great Lakes basin and the Canadian provinces; 6 and 7 Whereas, any new diversions of Great Lakes waters for use outside of the Great 8 Lakes basin will have significant adverse effects on the environment, economy and 9 welfare of the Great Lakes region; and 10 Whereas, the government of Canada has considered authorizing a company to 11 divert water from the Great Lakes to sell in Asia; and 12 Whereas, as trustees of the Great Lakes basin's natural resources, the United States government, the Canadian government, the Great Lakes states and 13

Canadian provinces have a shared duty to protect, conserve and manage the waters

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of the Great Lakes basin for the future use, benefit and enjoyment of all of their citizens; now, therefore, be it

Resolved by the senate, the assembly concurring, That the members of the Wisconsin legislature call upon the Congress and President of the United States and the Parliament and Prime Minister of Canada to act to prohibit the sale or diversion of Great Lakes water to foreign countries, businesses, corporations and individuals; and, be it further

Resolved, That the senate chief clerk shall provide a copy of this joint resolution to each member of the Wisconsin congressional delegation, to the President of the United States and to the Prime Minister of Canada.

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