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## 2001 SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION 7

January 23, 2001 – Introduced by Senators Grobschmidt, Wirch, Darling, Burke, Moore, Risser, Schultz, Baumgart, Roessler, Cowles, Hansen, Plache, Farrow and Lazich, cosponsored by Representatives Urban, Richards, Ryba, Starzyk, Bock, J. Lehman, Carpenter, Hundertmark, Stone, Walker, Jeskewitz, Young, Pocan, Berceau, Miller, Krawczyk, Vrakas, Lippert, Ladwig, Turner, Williams, Ainsworth, Townsend, Plouff, Hahn, Olsen, Riley, Johnsrud, Lassa, Ott, Sykora, Kreuser and Coggs. Referred to Committee on Senate Organization.

<b>Relating to:</b> proclaiming	Prostate Cancer	Awareness	Month.
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Whereas, prostate cancer is the most commonly diagnosed form of nonskin cancer and the 2nd-leading cause of cancer-related death among men; and Whereas, according to statistical data supplied by the American Cancer Society, there will be an estimated 180,400 new cases of prostate cancer nationally in the year 2000, and there will be an estimated 31,900 deaths from prostate cancer in this same year; and

Whereas, nationally the number of deaths from prostate cancer has more than doubled over the past 30 years, killing 15,173 men in 1962 and an estimated 31,900 men in the year 2000; and

Whereas, about 25% of prostate cancer occurs in men under the age of 65, during their prime years at work; and

Whereas, at any age, deaths due to prostate cancer devastate families, through loss of income, partnership, and support; and

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Whereas, prostate cancer leaves too many parents, women, children, and friends without a man whom they love; and

Whereas, prostate cancer has accounted, on average, for 15% of the nation's cancer burden and 15% of male cancer deaths, yet it has received, on average, only about 5% of the funds that this nation commits to cancer research; and

Whereas, research suggests that men could reduce their risk of prostate cancer mortality if they would follow recommended prostate cancer screening guidelines, including examination by a health care provider; and

Whereas, increased awareness and use of early detection practices by men are essential to controlling prostate cancer; now, therefore, be it

Resolved by the senate, the assembly concurring, That the legislature of the state of Wisconsin hereby proclaims the month of September as "Prostate Cancer Awareness Month" in the state of Wisconsin and urges all men to become aware of their own risks of prostate cancer, talk to their health care providers about prostate cancer, and, whenever appropriate, be screened for the disease.

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