

## 2005 ASSEMBLY JOINT RESOLUTION 80

February 16, 2006 – Introduced by Representatives Ott, Jeskewitz, Berceau, Albers, Sheridan, Townsend and Krawczyk, cosponsored by Senators A. Lasee and Risser. Referred to Committee on Rules.

1	Relating to: the American Kennel Club Canine Good Citizen Program and
2	supporting its effort to promote responsible dog ownership in the state of
3	Wisconsin.
4	Whereas, dogs play an important role in the lives of many Wisconsin citizens
5	by serving as companions and assistance and therapy dogs; and
6	Whereas, it is recognized that dog-related problems are most often caused by
7	irresponsible owners; and
8	Whereas, responsible dog ownership is encouraged in Wisconsin and
9	responsible dog owners should properly control and provide adequate training for
10	their dogs; and
11	Whereas, canine good citizen programs identify and officially recognize those
12	dogs who behave as members in good standing with the community; and
13	Whereas, the Canine Good Citizen Program which was developed by the
14	American Kennel Club teaches pet owners that dogs should exhibit "good citizen"

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behaviors in the presence of other people and animals, in both the home and the community; and

Whereas, with pet bites and animal trespassing concerns on the rise, there is a real need for dogs to remain well-behaved community members; now, therefore, be it

**Resolved by the assembly, the senate concurring, That** the members of the Wisconsin legislature encourage dog training programs and kennel clubs to provide training and education for community pet owners that result in dogs being "Canine Good Citizens."

10 (END)