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Relating to: proclaiming the month of October as Breast Cancer Awareness Month. 1 2 Whereas, the American Cancer Society reports that breast cancer is the most 3 frequently diagnosed cancer in Wisconsin women; and 4 Whereas, breast cancer is the 2nd leading cause of cancer death in Wisconsin 5 women; and 6 Whereas, this year there will be 211,240 new cases of breast cancer and 40,410 7 deaths from breast cancer in the United States and 4,130 new cases of breast cancer 8 and 790 deaths from breast cancer in Wisconsin; and 9 Whereas, the American Cancer Society recommends yearly mammograms for 10 women beginning at age 40 and clinical breast exams every 3 years for women in 11 their 20s and 30s; and 12 Whereas, the recent declines in breast cancer mortality have been attributed

to the regular use of screening mammography and to improvements in treatment;

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1	Whereas, the 5-year survival rate for localized breast cancer (cancer that has
2	not spread) is 98 percent, but the survival rate declines if the cancer has spread
3	regionally or distantly; and
4	Whereas, currently 63 percent of breast cancers are diagnosed at a localized
5	stage; and
6	Whereas, African-American, Hispanic/Latina, and American Indian/Alaska
7	Native women are more likely to be diagnosed at regional and distant stages than
8	Caucasian and Asian Americans/Pacific Islanders; and
9	Whereas, over one-third of Wisconsin women over age 40 have not had a recent
10	mammogram; and
11	Whereas, it is in the public interest to promote public awareness of the benefits
12	of early detection, prevention, and treatment of breast cancer; and
13	Whereas, it is appropriate for the state of Wisconsin to join with its citizens,
14	their families, and loved ones throughout the state in recognizing the importance of
15	this disease; now, therefore, be it
16	Resolved by the senate, the assembly concurring, That the members of the
17	Wisconsin legislature proclaim the month of October as Breast Cancer Awareness
18	Month to promote early detection, prevention, and treatment of breast cancer and
19	to encourage women to be screened according to the American Cancer Society's
20	guidelines.

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