

## **2005 SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION 60**

ary 27, 2006 – Introduced by Senators Darling, Zien, Schultz, Taylor, Olsen,
Miller, Roessler, Robson, Cowles, Wirch, Lassa, Grothman, Plale,
ERPENBACH, COGGS and HARSDORF, cosponsored by Representatives
STRACHOTA, GRIGSBY, HAHN, FIELDS, VRUWINK, F. LASEE, LOEFFELHOLZ, LEHMAN,
LAMB, NISCHKE, MCCORMICK, BERCEAU, JESKEWITZ, SHERIDAN, HEBL, KERKMAN,
BOYLE, PETROWSKI, BALLWEG, BIES, KRAWCZYK, HUNDERTMARK, WASSERMAN,
HINES, GUNDERSON, OTT, TOLES and VAN ROY. Referred to Committee on Senate
Organization.

1	<b>Relating to:</b> recognizing February 2006 as American Heart Month and February 3,
2	2006, as Wear Red For Women Day.
3	Whereas, diseases of the heart are the nation's leading cause of death and
4	stroke is the 3rd leading cause of death; and
5	Whereas, cardiovascular diseases claim the lives of over 480,000 American
6	females (about one death per minute) each year and nearly 9,000 women in
7	Wisconsin; and
8	Whereas, of the females who die each year, 53 percent die from cardiovascular
9	disease as compared to 46 percent men, and about 35,000 more females than males
10	die from a stroke; and
11	Whereas, in 2006 the estimated direct and indirect cost of cardiovascular
12	diseases and stroke in the United States is estimated at \$403.1 billion and over \$7.4
13	billion in Wisconsin alone; and
14	Whereas, more women die of cardiovascular disease than the next 6 leading
15	causes of death combined, including all cancers; and

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Whereas, only 13 percent of women consider cardiovascular disease their
 greatest health risk; and

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Whereas, by increasing awareness and empowering women to reduce their risk
for cardiovascular disease, we can save thousand of lives each year; and
Whereas, February is designated as American Heart Month; and

6 Whereas, Go Red For Women is the American Heart Association's national call 7 to increase awareness of heart disease — the leading cause of death for women — and 8 to inspire women to take charge of their heart health; now, therefore, be it

9 **Resolved by the senate, the assembly concurring, That** in recognition of 10 the importance of the ongoing fight against heart disease and stroke, the members 11 of the Wisconsin legislature do hereby proclaim February 2006 to be American Heart 12 Month and February 3, 2006, to be Wear Red For Women Day and urge all citizens 13 to show their support for women and the fight against heart disease by 14 commemorating this day by the wearing of the color red.

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