



2009 ASSEMBLY JOINT RESOLUTION 43

April 14, 2009 – Introduced by Representatives SHILLING, BERCEAU, BIES, DEXTER, GUNDERSON, HEBL, HINTZ, HIXSON, HRAYCHUCK, HUEBSCH, MASON, PASCH, PETROWSKI, POPE-ROBERTS, SEIDEL, SMITH, SOLETSKI, TOWNSEND and TURNER, cosponsored by Senators KAPANKE, COWLES, ERPENBACH, HANSEN, LASSA, LEHMAN, MILLER, OLSEN, RISSER, TAYLOR, VINEHOUT and WIRCH. Referred to Committee on Rules.

1 **Relating to:** proclaiming April 22, 2009, as Undergraduate Research Day and
2 commending University of Wisconsin System students, faculty, and staff.

3 Whereas, the University of Wisconsin (UW) System is one of the nation's
4 foremost public university systems with 26 campuses, a statewide UW-Extension,
5 and more than 175,000 students and 30,000 employees; and

6 Whereas, at each of the UW System campuses, undergraduate researchers are
7 advancing the tradition of the Wisconsin Idea as they join with faculty mentors in
8 discovering and applying new ideas to improve the quality of life in our state; and

9 Whereas, during a time of economic uncertainty, the research being conducted
10 at UW institutions exemplifies the innovation and entrepreneurial spirit necessary
11 for the recovery and growth of our communities, state, and nation; and

12 Whereas, UW-La Crosse recently hosted thousands of undergraduate
13 researchers from across the country at the 23rd National Conference on
14 Undergraduate Research from April 16 to 18, 2009; and

1 Whereas, on Wednesday, April 22, the UW System will host “Posters in the
2 Rotunda: A Celebration of Undergraduate Research” at the Wisconsin state capitol,
3 featuring research projects presented by undergraduate students from across the
4 system; and

5 Whereas, the posters represent a wide array of academic disciplines and
6 illustrate the remarkable contributions made by our undergraduate students to
7 address issues of critical importance to Wisconsin and to our nation; and

8 Whereas, Undergraduate Research Day 2009 coincides with the observance of
9 Earth Day, reminding us of the importance of research and development to the
10 creation of a healthy, sustainable environment; now, therefore, be it

11 ***Resolved by the assembly, the senate concurring, That*** the Wisconsin
12 legislature proclaims April 22, 2009, as Undergraduate Research Day and
13 commends the UW students, faculty, and staff for their undergraduate research
14 efforts.

15 **(END)**