



2017 ASSEMBLY JOINT RESOLUTION 57

June 5, 2017 - Introduced by Representatives NERISON, NOVAK, ALLEN, BALLWEG, BERCEAU, E. BROOKS, CONSIDINE, CROWLEY, EDMING, HEBL, HORLACHER, JACQUE, KITCHENS, KOLSTE, KULP, MEYERS, MILROY, MURPHY, MURSAU, PETRYK, PRONSHINSKE, RIPP, SPIROS, SPREITZER, SUBECK, TAUCHEN, THIESFELDT, TRANEL, TUSLER, VANDERMEER, VRUWINK and ZIMMERMAN, cosponsored by Senators HARSDORF, MOULTON, COWLES, DARLING, FEYEN, LEMAHIEU, MARKLEIN, OLSEN, PETROWSKI, RINGHAND, SHILLING, L. TAYLOR, TESTIN, VINEHOUT and VUKMIR. Referred to Committee on Rules.

1 **Relating to:** proclaiming June 2017 as Dairy Month in Wisconsin.

2 Whereas, dairy is a vital industry in Wisconsin and the largest segment of
3 Wisconsin's agriculture, with a total economic impact of over \$43 billion; and

4 Whereas, in June, the people of Wisconsin have the opportunity to celebrate the
5 agricultural heritage of the dairy industry in Wisconsin, which emerged as a major
6 economic industry in the late 19th century; and

7 Whereas, by 1899, more than 90 percent of Wisconsin farms raised dairy cows;
8 and

9 Whereas, Wisconsin's very own Stephen Babcock, a professor at UW Madison,
10 was the first to develop a system to test butterfat content in milk, now known as the
11 Babcock test, helping to instill the proud tradition of producing the highest quality
12 dairy product possible; and

13 Whereas, in 2016, a record breaking 30 billion pounds of Wisconsin milk was
14 produced in the state; and

