



## 1997 ASSEMBLY JOINT RESOLUTION 95

January 13, 1998 - Introduced by COMMITTEE ON RULES. Referred to Calendar.

1     **Relating to:** celebrating the achievements of Wisconsin's African-Americans.

2             Whereas, 1998 is Wisconsin's sesquicentennial year, which gives us an  
3     excellent opportunity to celebrate our many accomplishments, analyze our past  
4     shortcomings and examine our future, as we celebrate Wisconsinites of African  
5     descent; and

6             Whereas, we acknowledge the proud legacy of Black men and women who have  
7     helped shape who we are as a state, as a nation and as a people; and

8             Whereas, the many Black pioneers who were a "First" include Joe Oliver, the  
9     first Black person ever recorded as voting in Wisconsin in 1835, and Carolyn  
10    Quarrelles, the first "Passenger" to travel the underground railroad in Wisconsin; and

11            Whereas, Black persons pioneered a number of settlements in Wisconsin,  
12    including Pleasant Ridge, founded in 1849 by Charles Edward Shepard;  
13    Stantonville, named after African-American Moses Stanton (now called Chilton);  
14    and Barton Corners, named after African-American Wesley Barton (now called Burr  
15    Corners); and

