



2009 ASSEMBLY JOINT RESOLUTION 27

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1 **Relating to:** proclaiming June 6, 2009, as Proper Drug Disposal Day.

2 Whereas, improperly disposed pharmaceutical drugs pollute lakes and
3 streams, and result in harmful effects on surface and ground waters; and

4 Whereas, these improperly disposed pharmaceutical drugs have the potential
5 to be harmful to wildlife and damaging to the public health; and

6 Whereas, the lack of effective and efficient methods of drug disposal has
7 resulted in undesirable social, cultural, ecological, and global effects; and

8 Whereas, unused and expired pharmaceuticals are readily accessible to
9 potential abusers through theft, diversion, or criminal resale and present an
10 opportunity for the misuse of drugs; and

11 Whereas, in recent years, the misuse and abuse of pharmaceuticals by
12 teenagers, adults, and older adults has increased; and

13 Whereas, one of the most common sources of illicit pharmaceuticals is the home
14 medicine cabinet; and

