



2009 SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION 70

April 14, 2010 – Introduced by Senator VINEHOUT. Referred to Committee on Senate Organization.

1 **Relating to:** recognizing Aquaculture Day.

2 Whereas, aquaculture, also known as fish farming, is an important agricultural
3 industry in Wisconsin, dating back to 1856, having a sound environmental history
4 using sustainable best management practices; and

5 Whereas, Wisconsin has 2,314 registered fish farms, 1,984 private farms with
6 ponds, 125 business farms, 213 public fee fishing farms, 6 wholesale fish processing
7 farms, and 95 farms processing fish for human consumption; and

8 Whereas, aquaculture has sales of \$14.1 million in fish and minnows, which is
9 ranked first in the Midwest; and

10 Whereas, aquaculture contributes \$21 million to Wisconsin's economy, and
11 commercial farm operations provide 441 jobs; and

12 Whereas, 90 percent of 1.4 million anglers in Wisconsin use live bait and fish
13 farms provide locally grown live bait and fish for stocking; and

