



2011 ASSEMBLY JOINT RESOLUTION 59

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1 **Relating to:** proclaiming Diabetes Awareness Month.

2 Whereas, diabetes is a serious, common, costly, yet controllable disease,
3 affecting 25.8 million people in the United States, including over 475,000
4 Wisconsinites, and is the seventh leading cause of death in the United States; and

5 Whereas, diabetes is a group of metabolic diseases in which a person has high
6 blood sugar, either because the body does not produce enough insulin (Type 1
7 diabetes), or because cells do not respond to the insulin that is produced (Type 2
8 diabetes), and that these chronic conditions are manageable with changes to diet,
9 exercise, and the use of insulin medications; and

10 Whereas, 79 million Americans have a condition known as pre-diabetes, which
11 can lead to Type 2 diabetes, but that the onset can be prevented or delayed through
12 lifestyle changes including regular exercise and a healthful diet; and

13 Whereas, people with diabetes are at increased risk of related complications
14 including blindness, kidney disease, foot and leg amputations, cardiovascular
15 disease, stroke, depression, and death from influenza and pneumonia; and

