



## 2015 SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION 67

October 29, 2015 – Introduced by Senators LEMAHIEU, BEWLEY, COWLES, MARKLEIN, OLSEN, RINGHAND, RISSER, STROEBEL and VINEHOUT, cosponsored by Representatives TITTL, ALLEN, BOWEN, BRANDTJEN, E. BROOKS, DUCHOW, GOYKE, HORLACHER, HUTTON, JACQUE, KERKMAN, KLEEFISCH, KOOYENGA, KREMER, KRUG, MILROY, MURPHY, NOVAK, PETRYK, ROHRKASTE, SPREITZER, SUBECK, THIESFELDT and JORGENSEN. Referred to Committee on Senate Organization.

1     **Relating to:** proclaiming November 2015 as Adoption Month in Wisconsin.

2             Whereas, November is National Adoption Month, and this year’s theme, “We  
3     Never Outgrow the Need for Family,” highlights older youth waiting for adoption;  
4     and

5             Whereas, in 2014 there were 1,214 children in out-of-home care as preadoptive  
6     cases in Wisconsin, and there are currently around 350 kids in foster care who need  
7     to find their forever family; and

8             Whereas, about 700 children are adopted each year from the Special Needs  
9     Adoption Program; and

10            Whereas, more children become available for adoption each year than are  
11     adopted; and

12            Whereas, a forever family provides lifelong benefits for children and parents  
13     alike; and

14            Whereas, nearly 40 percent of American adults have considered adopting a  
15     child, according to the National Adoption Attitudes Survey; and

