



State of Wisconsin
2021 - 2022 LEGISLATURE

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2021 SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION 91

January 18, 2022 - Introduced by Senators PETROWSKI and BEWLEY, cosponsored by Representatives EDMING and B. MEYERS. Referred to Committee on Senate Organization.

1 **Relating to:** proclaiming February 21 to 27, 2022, as American Birkebeiner Week
2 in Wisconsin.

3 Whereas, the American Birkebeiner, held each year in Hayward, Wisconsin, is
4 North America's largest cross-country ski race and contributes to the estimated \$30
5 million in silent sports revenue generated in Sawyer and Bayfield Counties each
6 year; and

7 Whereas, over 13,500 cross-country skiers and an estimated 35,000 spectators
8 gather in Hayward each February to celebrate and participate in the American
9 Birkebeiner Ski Foundation's annual Birkie Week of Nordic skiing festivities, which
10 includes events for all ages and abilities; and

11 Whereas, over 250,000 skiers have participated in American Birkebeiner Ski
12 Foundation races since 1973; and

13 Whereas, the American Birkebeiner is a uniquely American tradition and the
14 sole cross-country ski race representing the North American continent within the
15 Worldloppet Ski Federation; and

