

2001 ASSEMBLY RESOLUTION 58

March 7, 2002 – Introduced by Representatives LIPPERT, URBAN, UNDERHEIM, OWENS, SUDER, BERCEAU, TOWNSEND, SINICKI, OLSEN, J. LEHMAN, KRAWCZYK, LADWIG, MILLER and BOCK. Referred to Committee on Rules.

1 **Relating to:** recognizing the week beginning the first week in April as Public Health
2 Awareness Week.

3 Whereas, the organization of public health is a partnership of public, private,
4 nonprofit, and voluntary sectors focused on the health of the entire community, with
5 its members responsible for providing comprehensive and coordinated public health
6 and educational services to promote and support the health of families and
7 individuals; and

8 Whereas, prevention, education, and outreach by public health professionals
9 are the most focused and cost-effective ways of creating and maintaining healthy
10 habits and improved quality of life for families and individuals, including women's
11 health, newborn screening, and health of minorities; and

12 Whereas, all persons are receiving the benefits of public health workers who
13 provide immunization clinics, AIDS/HIV counseling and testing, and a variety of
14 specialty clinics and programs promoting health and wellness of all families and

1 individuals, such as tobacco control, injury prevention, mental health, and work
2 place health and safety; and

3 Whereas, concerned individuals are informed and educated about water and air
4 quality, food protection, animal control, and many other environmental issues, and
5 receive timely help from their environmental health and laboratory service
6 providers; and

7 Whereas, assessment, assurance, and policy development are core public
8 health functions; and

9 Whereas, because of the total number of years of service reflected by public
10 health personnel, all persons can be assured of a high level of expertise by this group
11 of public health professionals in providing dedicated service and leadership within
12 their communities; and

13 Whereas, the first week in April of each year is celebrated as National Public
14 Health Awareness Week; now, therefore, be it

15 ***Resolved by the assembly, That*** the members of the Wisconsin assembly
16 proclaim the first week of April, 2002, as “Public Health Awareness Week” and urge
17 all citizens to join in recognizing the valuable contribution that public health
18 personnel, volunteers, and agencies make to our communities.

19 (END)