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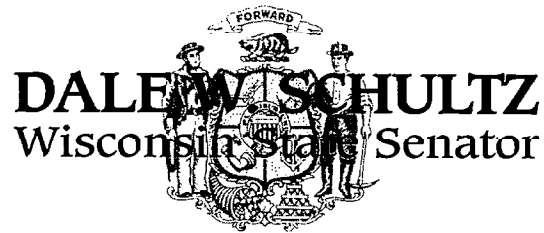
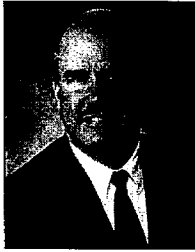
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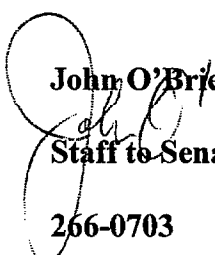
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**Drafting Request**

Please draft the following language to be placed into 14.16 of statute

The governor shall annually proclaim August 7<sup>th</sup> as Purple Heart Day and urge the people and organizations of the state to display the American flag as a public expression of recognition of those who have been wounded or killed, in action preserving the freedoms all Americans cherish.

**Call with questions comments or suggestions.**

  
**John O'Brien**

**Staff to Senator Dale Schultz**

**266-0703**

## **South Carolina Purple Heart Day**

SECTION 1. Chapter 3, Title 53 of the 1976 Code is amended by adding:

"Section 53-3-120. The third Saturday in February each year is designated as Purple Heart Day in South Carolina to honor the decoration itself and those men and women who have received it."

Additional info taken from the So Carolina language creating "Purple Heart Day"

<http://www.lpitr.state.sc.us/bil99-00/1048.htm>

Whereas, the Order of the Purple Heart for Military Merit, commonly called "The Purple Heart", is the oldest military decoration in the world in present use and the first award made available to a common soldier; and

Whereas, General Washington conceived of and authorized this eloquent and forceful symbol of citizen responsibility in his General Orders of August 7, 1782, after being deprived by the Continental Congress of his usual means of reward for soldiers serving in the Revolutionary War; and

Whereas, the United States War Department revived the Purple Heart decoration on February 22, 1932, which has since been awarded to more than 800,000 men and women from all walks of life, religions, creeds, and ethnicity; and

Whereas, the Purple Heart, definitely a combat decoration, is awarded in the name of the President of the United States to any member of an Armed Force or any civilian national of the United States who, while serving under competent authority in any capacity with one of the United States Armed Services after April 5, 1917, has been wounded or killed, or who has died or may hereafter die after being wounded; and

Whereas, the "Military Order for the Purple Heart", the only strictly combat organization in existence, was formed in 1932 for the protection and mutual interest of all who have received the decoration and is composed exclusively of Purple Heart recipients; and  
Whereas, the Purple Heart was created to "cherish virtuous ambition in soldiers as well as foster and encourage every species of military merit," and to honor "not only instances of unusual gallantry but also of extraordinary fidelity and essential service". Now, therefore  
Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the State of South Carolina: \



State of Wisconsin  
2001 - 2002 LEGISLATURE

LRB-4357/1

RPN:.....  
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2001 BILL

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1 AN ACT ...; relating to: proclaiming Purple Heart Day. ✓

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*Analysis by the Legislative Reference Bureau*

This bill requires the governor to proclaim August 7<sup>th</sup> as "Purple Heart Day" and urge people and organizations to display the American flag on that day as a public expression of the recognition of those individuals who have been wounded or killed in action preserving the freedoms that U.S. citizens cherish. Currently, the governor may issue proclamations in remembrance of certain dates and persons, including Armistice Day, Gold Star Mothers Day, and Citizenship Day. ✓

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*The people of the state of Wisconsin, represented in senate and assembly, do enact as follows:*

2 SECTION 1. 14.16 (19) of the statutes is created to read:

11 ✓  
X

3 14.16 (19) PURPLE HEART DAY. The governor shall annually proclaim August

4 7<sup>th</sup> as Purple Heart Day and urge the people and organizations of the state to display  
5 the American flag on that day as a public expression of the recognition of those  
6 individuals who have been wounded or killed in action preserving the freedoms that  
7 all United States citizens cherish.

8 (END)