

2003 ASSEMBLY RESOLUTION 17

April 29, 2003 – Introduced by Representatives JENSEN and SINICKI. Referred to Committee on Rules.

1 **Relating to:** celebrating the accomplishments and contributions of public charter
2 schools during National Charter Schools Week, April 28 to May 2, 2003.

3 Whereas, the 4th annual National Charter Schools Week is being celebrated
4 this week in Wisconsin and throughout the country; and

5 Whereas, Wisconsin, in 1993, was among the first 10 states to enact charter
6 schools legislation and is a leader among the states in fostering community choices
7 in public education through charter schools; and

8 Whereas, 128 public charter schools, serving more than 19,000 students, are
9 operating throughout Wisconsin in the 2002–2003 school year; and

10 Whereas, Wisconsin's charter schools initiative is intended to improve student
11 achievement, drive educational innovation, expand educational choices of parents
12 and students, and foster continuous improvements in all public schools; and

13 Whereas, charter schools are open to all students, accountable to their
14 authorizer, employ staff certified by the Department of Public Instruction, and
15 participate in the state assessment system and, further, that charter schools are

1 intended to stimulate change, innovation, and creativity that enhances student
2 learning; now, therefore, be it

3 ***Resolved by the assembly, That*** the Wisconsin assembly joins the governor,
4 state and federal officials, and all citizens in Wisconsin in celebrating the
5 accomplishments and contributions of public charter schools during National
6 Charter Schools Week, April 28 to May 2, 2003.

7 (END)