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2003 ASSEMBLY JOINT RESOLUTION

1 **Relating to:** supporting the admission of Estonia, Latvia, and Lithuania to the
2 North Atlantic Treaty Organization.

3 Whereas, Estonia, Latvia, and Lithuania are free, democratic, and
4 independent nations with a long and proud history; and

5 Whereas, Estonia, Latvia, and Lithuania struggled long and hard to overthrow
6 the yoke of oppression visited upon them by the former Soviet Union; and

7 Whereas, the North Atlantic Treaty Organization (NATO) is dedicated to the
8 preservation of freedom and security for its member nations; and

9 Whereas, since 1994, Estonia, Latvia, and Lithuania have been active members
10 of NATO's Partnership for Peace Program of cooperation between NATO and
11 individual partner countries and are contributing to NATO's peace operations in the
12 Balkans and currently also in central Asia, and are developing their defense through
13 close coordination with NATO through the Membership Action Program; and

1 Whereas, Estonia, Latvia, and Lithuania desire to share in both the benefits
2 and obligations of NATO in pursuing the development, growth, and promotion of
3 democratic institutions and ensuring free market economic development; and

4 Whereas, Estonia, Latvia, and Lithuania recognize their responsibilities as
5 democratic nations and are exercising such responsibilities in concert with members
6 of NATO — an example being their declaration along with full NATO members of
7 solidarity and support for the United States in the common fight against terrorism;
8 and

9 Whereas, Estonia, Latvia, and Lithuania and the United States, as well as
10 members of NATO, and other qualified NATO candidate countries find that their
11 security is indivisible from the stability of central Europe and the Baltic Sea region;
12 and

13 Whereas, the Council of State Governments of the United States passed a
14 resolution in April 2002 endorsing the enlargement of NATO to include Estonia,
15 Latvia, and Lithuania, and other qualified candidate nations who share the values
16 fundamental to NATO; now, therefore, be it

17 *Resolved by the assembly, the senate/concurring, the assembly*
18 **Resolved** by the ~~assembly, the senate~~ *concurring*, That the Wisconsin
19 legislature urges NATO to admit Estonia, Latvia, and Lithuania, and other qualified
candidate nations, into NATO; and, be it further

20 **Resolved, That** a copy of this joint resolution be sent by the chief clerk of the
21 assembly to NATO.

22 *send*
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