

2007 ASSEMBLY JOINT RESOLUTION 14

February 13, 2007 – Introduced by Representatives NERISON, HEBL, MUSSER, KERKMAN, HAHN, VOS, ALBERS, MURSAU, JESKEWITZ, MEYER, PETROWSKI, TOWNSEND, GUNDERSON, OWENS and M. WILLIAMS, cosponsored by Senators MILLER, KAPANKE, OLSEN, SCHULTZ, RISSER, PLALE, LASSA, ERPENBACH and HANSEN. Referred to Committee on Rules.

1 **Relating to:** proclaiming May 18, 19, and 20, 2007, Syttende Mai Weekend.

2 Whereas, Norway, which means “Northern Way,” covers 125,052 square miles,
3 has a population of approximately 4,600,000 people, and possesses the
4 second–highest gross domestic product per capita in the world; and

5 Whereas, Norwegian immigrants have made countless contributions to the
6 cultures of Wisconsin and other regions of the United States; and

7 Whereas, one out of every 12 Wisconsinites claims Norwegian ancestry; and

8 Whereas, “Syttende Mai,” Norwegian for “May 17,” celebrates the anniversary
9 of the 1814 signing of the Norwegian Constitution that declared Norway’s
10 independence from Denmark; and

11 Whereas, the Norwegian Constitution is the third oldest in the world, being
12 predated only by the constitutions of the United States and France; and

13 Whereas, Norwegian culture can be found throughout Wisconsin in the cuisine
14 of lutefisk and lefse, in the art of rosemaling, and in the presence of wood–carved
15 trolls; and

