

## 2007 ASSEMBLY JOINT RESOLUTION 20

February 22, 2007 – Introduced by Representatives BALLWEG, ALBERS, BENEDICT, BERCEAU, BIES, BOYLE, GUNDERSON, HAHN, HINTZ, KERKMAN, LOTHIAN, A. OTT, OWENS, POPE-ROBERTS, SEIDEL, SHERIDAN, SINICKI, SOLETSKI, TOWNSEND, VAN ROY, WASSERMAN and M. WILLIAMS, cosponsored by Senators WIRCH, CARPENTER, COWLES, ERPENBACH, GROTHMAN, HANSEN, LAZICH, LEHMAN, LEIBHAM, MILLER, OLSEN, PLALE, RISSER and ROESSLER. Referred to Committee on Rules.

1       **Relating to:** declaring March 2007 American Red Cross Month.

2               Whereas, each year during the month of March we recognize the humanitarian  
3 service and the lifesaving programs of the American Red Cross; and

4               Whereas, part of the international Red Cross and Red Crescent Movement, the  
5 American Red Cross was formed 125 years ago and chartered by Congress to provide  
6 aid and comfort in times of crisis; and

7               Whereas, since the early years of twentieth century, the Red Cross in Wisconsin  
8 has played a critical role in helping our citizens prevent, prepare for, and respond to  
9 emergencies; and

10              Whereas, American Red Cross volunteers and staff responded to 878 local  
11 disasters throughout the state of Wisconsin last year, providing emergency  
12 assistance to 1,300 families affected by fire, flood, tornadoes, and other disasters. In  
13 2006, 85,932 persons learned to prevent and prepare for disasters by participating  
14 in Red Cross community disaster education programs; and

