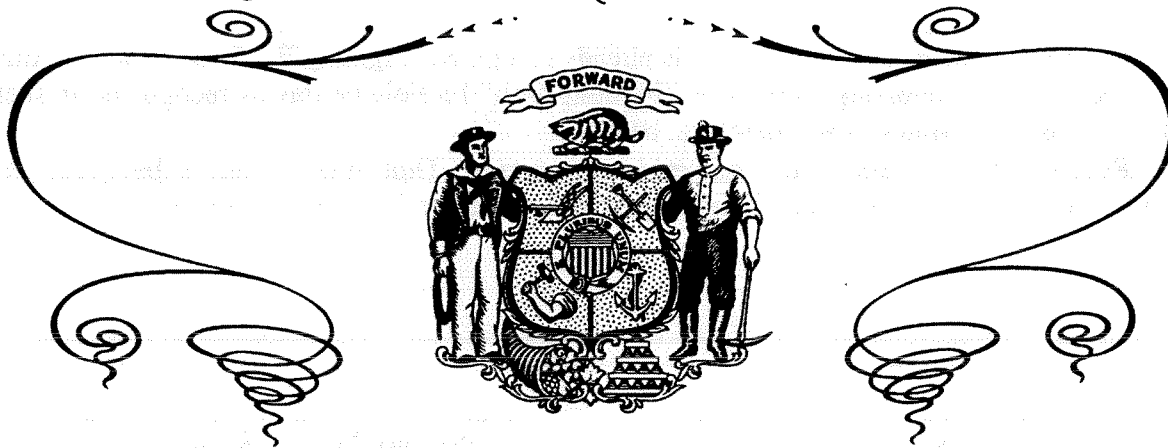# State of Wisconsin

2007 Senate Joint Resolution 20

ENROLLED JOINT RESOLUTION

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03-08.	S.	Introduced by Senators **Risser, Erpenbach, Kreitlow, Lassa, Lehman, Miller, Plale** and **Wirch;** cosponsored by Representatives **Pocan, Berceau, Black, Boyle, Hahn, Hebl, Hilgenberg, Hixson, Pope-Roberts, Seidel, Sheridan, Sinicki, Travis, Van Akkeren** and **Ziegelbauer.**	
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13 Whereas, Wisconsin's public schools already recognize "Fighting Bob" for his

14 lasting impact on Wisconsin by recognizing June 14 as "Fighting Bob" La Follette day

15 as recognized in section 118.02 (7r) of the statutes; now, therefore, be it

16 ***Resolved by the senate, the assembly concurring, That*** June 14 and

17 subsequent yearly anniversaries shall be considered ""Fighting Bob" La Follette

18 Day" in Wisconsin.

19   **(END)**