

2007 SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION 39

April 19, 2007 – Introduced by Senators RISSER, LASSA, SCHULTZ and LEHMAN, cosponsored by Representatives BERCEAU and TURNER. Referred to Committee on Senate Organization.

1 **Relating to:** declaring the ninth of May as Europe Day.

2 Whereas, in the five years following the second world war, Europe's economy
3 was prostrate, its political institutions were greatly weakened, and it faced the
4 prospect of a third world war; and

5 Whereas, on the ninth of May 1950, Robert Schuman, the French foreign
6 minister, published a declaration of the need to preserve peace and increase
7 prosperity by creating a common economic foundation that marked the beginning of
8 the European Union; and

9 Whereas, in 1957, the Treaty of Rome created the European Economic
10 Community, which was the first pillar of European unity; and

11 Whereas, in 1992, the Maastricht Treaty formally integrated the European
12 Union by creating the second and third pillars of common foreign and security policy,
13 and police and judicial cooperation; and

14 Whereas, the European Union includes 27 member nations and has adopted
15 procedures for the orderly accession of new members; and

