



2009 ASSEMBLY JOINT RESOLUTION 21

1 **Relating to:** celebrating March 1, 2009, as St. David's Day.

2 Whereas, March 1 is St. David's Day, a day honoring the patron saint of Wales;
3 and

4 Whereas, natives of Wales began moving to Wisconsin during the 1840s,
5 settling principally in the southwest corner of the state and in Columbia, Milwaukee,
6 Racine, and Waukesha counties; and

7 Whereas, among their early contributions to this state were their extensive
8 knowledge of mining and stock breeding and their musical talent, as evidenced by
9 the popularity of the Welsh Musical Union; and

10 Whereas, a few towns and villages in Wisconsin, such as Beaver Dam, Cambria,
11 Randolph, Wales, Pickett, Waukesha, and Oshkosh, still retain a Welsh flavor; and

12 Whereas, many prominent residents of this state were of Welsh descent; among
13 them are Frank Lloyd Wright; Evan Evans, a member of the U.S. Court of Appeals
14 for the Seventh Circuit; Joseph Davies, an ambassador to Russia; and Peter
15 Houston, the inventor of the folding film roll; and

