



2009 ASSEMBLY JOINT RESOLUTION 37

April 2, 2009 – Introduced by Representatives HEBL, BENEDICT, SCHNEIDER, BROOKS, BERCEAU, POPE-ROBERTS, TOWNSEND, BIES, VRUWINK, MURTHA, SPANBAUER and MOLEPSKE JR., cosponsored by Senators MILLER, ROBSON, RISSER, HOPPER, LEHMAN, LASSA, TAYLOR, OLSEN, SCHULTZ and DARLING. Referred to Committee on Rules.

1 **Relating to:** proclaiming the Wisconsin Centennial of Flight.

2 Whereas, on November 4, 1909, Arthur P. Warner made the first controlled
3 flight of an airplane in Wisconsin, flying his Curtiss airplane in Beloit, Wisconsin;
4 and

5 Whereas, Arthur P. Warner was the first individual American to purchase an
6 airplane and the eleventh American to pilot an airplane; and

7 Whereas, November 4, 2009, marks Wisconsin's Centennial of Flight; and

8 Whereas, aviation has played a vital role in Wisconsin's history both in peace
9 and wartime with prominent leaders including World War I Air Corps Commander
10 General Billy Mitchell, Air Racing Champion Steve Wittman, World War II Ace of
11 Aces Major Richard I. Bong, Experimental Aircraft Association founder Paul
12 Poberezny plus many others; and

13 Whereas, the Wisconsin Aviation Hall of Fame, as the premier Wisconsin
14 aviation historical organization, has the mission to collect, preserve, and share the
15 history of aviation in Wisconsin and to honor Wisconsin's aviation heroes, is

