

2009 Assembly Joint Resolution 81

ENROLLED JOINT RESOLUTION

Relating to: commemorating the 100th anniversary of the founding of the Wisconsin Nurses Association.

Whereas, October 22, 2009, marks the official beginning of a year-long celebration commemorating the 100th anniversary of the Wisconsin Nurses Association; and

Whereas, this historic event will be recognized during a year of observances at both the 2009 and 2010 Annual Wisconsin Nurses Association Conventions; and

Whereas, after the Association was incorporated, 94 nurses attended the first Wisconsin Nurses Association meeting at the Pfister Hotel on March 31, 1910; and

Whereas, the WNA nurses, all of whom were women and did not have the legal right to vote, successfully lobbied the legislature for licensure of nurses as a means of protecting the public; and

Whereas, many of Wisconsin's registered nurses have served in the military, past and present, and are continually vigilant and ready to respond when called for a war, conflict, or national emergency; and

Whereas, many thousands of Wisconsin nurses have cared for, nurtured, and served the residents of this state, thereby improving the health of Wisconsin's citizens; and

Whereas, the Wisconsin Nurses Association has provided significant leadership in providing diverse and creative educational activities to enhance the skills and abilities of professional nurses; and

Whereas, the Wisconsin Nurses Association has acted as the leader in assuring the passage of public policy that supports healthy communities; now, therefore, be it

Resolved by the assembly, the senate concurring, That the legislature commemorates the 100th anniversary of the Wisconsin Nurses Association and congratulates the Association for serving as the voice of registered nurses in this state for the past 100 years.

Senator Fred A. Risser President of the Senate	Representative Michael J. Sheridan Speaker of the Assembly
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