

State of Misconsin 2009 – 2010 LEGISLATURE

2009 ASSEMBLY JOINT RESOLUTION 81

October 20, 2009 – Introduced by Representatives Pasch, Shilling, Cullen, M. Williams, Zigmunt, Hebl., Molepske Jr., Benedict, Berceau, Townsend, Young, A. Ott, Ballweg, Bernard Schaber, Roys, Milroy, Nelson, Petrowski, Seidel, Vukmir, Soletski, Kaufert, Barca and Pope-Roberts, cosponsored by Senators Robson, Sullivan, Darling, Lazich, Wirch, Lassa, Hopper, Taylor, Risser, Vinehout and Lehman. Referred to Committee on Rules.

1 **Relating to:** commemorating the 100th anniversary of the founding of the 2 Wisconsin Nurses Association. 3 Whereas, October 22, 2009, marks the official beginning of a year-long 4 celebration commemorating the 100th anniversary of the Wisconsin Nurses 5 Association; and Whereas, this historic event will be recognized during a year of observances at 6 7 both the 2009 and 2010 Annual Wisconsin Nurses Association Conventions; and 8 Whereas, after the Association was incorporated, 94 nurses attended the first 9 Wisconsin Nurses Association meeting at the Pfister Hotel on March 31, 1910; and 10 Whereas, the WNA nurses, all of whom were women and did not have the legal 11 right to vote, successfully lobbied the legislature for licensure of nurses as a means 12 of protecting the public; and 13 Whereas, many of Wisconsin's registered nurses have served in the military, 14 past and present, and are continually vigilant and ready to respond when called for 15 a war, conflict, or national emergency; and

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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
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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.

14 (END)