



2009 ASSEMBLY JOINT RESOLUTION 136

April 22, 2010 – Introduced by Representatives MASON, SHILLING, TURNER, BERCEAU, MILROY, HEBL, SINICKI, TOLES, HIXSON, BERNARD SCHABER, HRAYCHUCK, YOUNG, HUBLER and NELSON, cosponsored by Senators TAYLOR, MILLER, JAUCH, HANSEN, KREITLOW, SULLIVAN, RISSER and LEHMAN. Referred to Committee on Rules.

1 **Relating to:** commemorating the 40th Earth Day celebration.

2 Whereas, Gaylord Nelson, a former United States Senator from Wisconsin, was
3 born and raised in Clear Lake, Wisconsin, in Polk County and is recognized as one
4 of the leading environmentalists of the 20th century who worked to create a new era
5 of international awareness of the environment; and

6 Whereas, Gaylord Nelson served in the Wisconsin state senate from 1949 to
7 1959, as governor of the state of Wisconsin from 1959 to 1963, and in the United
8 States Senate from 1963 to 1981, truly representing the progressive values learned
9 as a boy from Clear Lake; and

10 Whereas, Gaylord Nelson created and passed legislation to ban phosphates in
11 household detergents and to ban the use of dichlorodiphenyltrichloroethane (DDT)
12 and legislation that created the Apostle Islands National Lakeshore and the St.
13 Croix Wild and Scenic Riverway and protected other important Wisconsin and
14 national treasures and worked tirelessly to ensure clean water and clean air for all
15 Americans; and

