

State of Misconsin 2011 - 2012 LEGISLATURE



## **2011 SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION 46**

1	<b>Relating to:</b> proclaiming the month of October as Breast Cancer Awareness Month.
2	Whereas, the American Cancer Society reports that breast cancer is the most
3	frequently diagnosed cancer among Wisconsin women; and
4	Whereas, breast cancer is the second leading cause of cancer death in Wisconsin
5	women; and
6	Whereas, this year there will be 232,620 new cases of breast cancer, resulting
7	in 39,970 deaths in the United States and 4,430 new cases of breast cancer, resulting
8	in 690 deaths from the disease in Wisconsin; and
9	Whereas, the American Cancer Society recommends yearly mammograms for
10	women beginning at age 40 and clinical breast exams at least every three years for
11	women in their 20s and 30s; and
12	Whereas, the national five-year relative survival rate for women diagnosed
13	with breast cancer at the local stage is 98 percent while the survival rate for
14	advanced breast cancer is 27 percent; and

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1	Whereas, the breast cancer death rate has steadily declined since 1990 and can
2	be attributed to early detection by mammography and improvements in treatment;
3	and
4	Whereas, most studies have shown that mammography decreases death from
5	breast cancer by 20 to 30 percent; and
6	Whereas, it is in the public interest to promote public awareness of the benefits
7	of early detection, prevention, and treatment of breast cancer; and
8	Whereas, organizations such as Susan G. Komen for the Cure have funded
9	research grants and community-based outreach projects that focus on education,
10	screening, and treatment; and
11	Whereas, Susan G. Komen for the Cure has raised and invested more than \$1.9
12	billion since its inception in 1982; and
13	Whereas, the Susan G. Komen Race for the Cure has become one of the world's
14	largest and most successful education and fundraising events for breast cancer that
15	celebrates survivorship and honors those who have lost their battle; and
16	Whereas, it is important for the state of Wisconsin to join with its citizens
17	throughout the state in recognizing the importance of this disease; now, therefore,
18	be it
19	Resolved by the senate, the assembly concurring, That the members of the
20	Wisconsin legislature proclaim the month of October as Breast Cancer Awareness
21	Month throughout the state to promote early detection, prevention, and treatment
22	of breast cancer and the shared commitment to finding a cure.

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