2013 ASSEMBLY RESOLUTION 20

November 12, 2013 – Introduced by Representative STRACHOTA. Referred to Committee on Rules.

Relating to: proclaiming Wisconsin Diabetes Day.

Whereas, more than 26 million American children and adults, including more than 480,000 people living in Wisconsin, have diabetes, a serious disease that has no cure; and

Whereas, another 79 million Americans have pre-diabetes, a condition that puts them at the highest risk for developing type 2 diabetes; and

Whereas, diabetes is a disease in which the body does not produce or properly use insulin, a hormone that is needed to convert sugar, starches, and other food into energy needed for daily life; and

Whereas, it is unclear what causes diabetes, but it is believed that genetics and behavioral factors, such as obesity and lack of exercise, appear to play roles; and

Whereas, diabetes is the fifth-leading cause of death by disease in the United States; and

Whereas, more than one-third of people with diabetes, roughly seven million Americans, don’t know they have the disease; and
Whereas, through public awareness, the state of Wisconsin seeks to minimize the effects of diabetes on all Wisconsin citizens; now, therefore, be it

Resolved by the assembly, That the members of the Wisconsin assembly proclaim November 14, 2013, to be Wisconsin Diabetes Day, to promote awareness of this disease that affects many throughout the state.

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