2015 ASSEMBLY JOINT RESOLUTION 76

October 26, 2015 – Introduced by Representatives VOS and BARCA, cosponsored by Senators LAZICH, S. FITZGERALD and SHILLING. Referred to Committee on Rules.

Relating to: proclaiming October 26 to 30, 2015, as Canada Week in Wisconsin, and Tuesday, October 27, 2015, as Canada Day at the state capitol.

Whereas, the United States and Canada share not only a 5,522-mile border, which is the world’s longest border, but also a vibrant history of democratic governance, military and economic partnerships, and cultural ties; and

Whereas, relations between Canada and the United States span more than two centuries, and the two nations have developed one of the most successful international relationships in the modern world; and

Whereas, the relationship between Canada and the United States is unique in the world, and the two nations have a shared prosperity fostered by two-way investments and jobs; and

Whereas, Canada and the United States have the largest and most comprehensive trade relationship in the world; and
Whereas, Canada and the great state of Wisconsin as well share a rich and
vibrant history of democratic governance, security and economic partnerships, and
tourism and cultural ties; and

Whereas, Canada is the largest trade partner of the United States and
Wisconsin and the number of Canadian tourists visiting this country, and Wisconsin,
exceeds the number from any other country; and

Whereas, 158,000 jobs in Wisconsin depend on Canada–U.S. trade and
investment; and

Whereas, total Canada–Wisconsin trade in goods last year was $12.4 billion;
and

Whereas, Wisconsin sells more goods to Canada than to its next six foreign
markets combined; and

Whereas, as many as 320,700 Canadian visitors to Wisconsin annually
contribute $65 million dollars to the Wisconsin economy; and

Whereas, Wisconsin exported $525 million in paper and paperboard to Canada
and imported $443 million in plastics & plastic articles; and

Whereas, Wisconsin, Canada, and the Canadian provinces share common
leading industries which are vital to the economies and people of our respective
nations, including agriculture and energy development; now, therefore, be it

Resolved by the assembly, the senate concurring, That the Wisconsin
legislature hereby proclaims October 26 to 30, 2015, as Canada Week in Wisconsin,
and Tuesday, October 27, 2015, as Canada Day at the state capitol; and, be it further

Resolved, That the legislature honors our friend and ally, Canada, and looks
forward to many more years of cooperation, friendship, trade, tourism, and good will;
and, be it further
Resolved, That the assembly chief clerk shall present a copy of this resolution to the consulate general of Canada.