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2019 SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION 26

| 1 | Relating to: proclaiming May as Lupus Awareness Month in Wisconsin. |
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| 2 | Whereas, each year, the Lupus Foundation of America designates May as |
| 3 | National Lupus Awareness Month to show support for the two million Americans |
| 4 | who have Lupus, including 28,000 of whom reside in the state of Wisconsin; and |
| 5 | Whereas, this mysterious, often misdiagnosed, and chronic autoimmune |
| 6 | disease can be deadly, as inflammation attacks virtually any organ in the body |
| 7 | including the skin, heart, lungs, brain, kidneys, and joints; and |
| 8 | Whereas, the average time to diagnose a patient with lupus is between four to |
| 9 | seven years, thereby allowing this disease to progress and delaying appropriate |
| 10 | treatment; and |
| 11 | Whereas, those who are diagnosed are usually between the ages of 15 to 44 |
| 12 | with 90 percent being female and 15 percent being children, and the disease is |
| 13 | two-to-three times more prevalent in women of color; and |
| 14 | Whereas, currently, there is no cure for lupus; and |

| Whereas, the Lupus Foundation of America, Wisconsin Chapter, works |
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| tirelessly to raise awareness and funds for research, education, advocacy, and |
| support for lupus patients, their families, and those who care for them; now, |
| therefore, be it |
| Resolved by the senate, the assembly concurring, That the Wisconsin |
| Legislature recognizes the month of May 2019 as National Lupus Awareness Month. |
| (END) |