2021 SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION 16

March 16, 2021 -Introduced by Senators BERNIER, BALLWEG, BEWLEY, RINGHAND and MARKLEIN, cosponsored by Representatives ZIMMERMAN, CABRAL-GUEVARA, DITTRICH, DUCHOW, EDMING, HAYWOOD, MACCO, MOSES, MURPHY, MURSAU, PETRYK, SINICKI, SKOWRONSKI, SNODGRASS, SUBECK, TRANEL and VRUWINK. Referred to Committee on Senate Organization.

Relating to: declaring March 7, 2021 to March 14, 2021, as Women in Construction week and celebrating the wide reaching contributions of women in construction.

Whereas, jobs in the highly skilled construction trades are the backbone of our economy; and

Whereas, construction opportunities should be inclusive so that more people have access to family sustaining lifetime careers without regard to gender or labor affiliation; and

Whereas, national Women in Construction week highlights the role of women as a visible component of the construction industry; and

Whereas, by raising awareness of the opportunities available for women in the construction industry, the growth of women in the construction industry can be achieved and celebrated; and

Whereas, according to the Bureau of Labor Statistics and the National Association of Women in Construction, since 2010 the number of women in
construction has increased from 807,000 to over 1,000,000, making up nearly 10 percent of the total construction workforce, but around 1 percent of the front line positions on a job site; and

Whereas, women currently make up 3 percent of active construction apprentices in the state, which definitely shows room for improvement but is the highest participation level ever in Wisconsin’s world-class apprenticeship program; now, therefore, be it

Resolved by the senate, the assembly concurring, That the members of the Wisconsin Legislature join in declaring March 7, 2021, to March 14, 2021, as Women in Construction week and celebrate the wide reaching contributions of women in construction as well as all those who have dedicated their careers to improving our communities.

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