



## 2025 ASSEMBLY JOINT RESOLUTION 34

April 23, 2025 - Introduced by Representatives VANDERMEER, BILLINGS, DITTRICH, CLANCY, DESMIDT, DOYLE, DUCHOW, GUNDRUM, J. JACOBSON, JOERS, JOHNSON, KITCHENS, KRUG, KURTZ, MADISON, MIRESE, MURSAU, ORTIZ-VELEZ, PALMERI, PHELPS, ROE, SINICKI, SPAUDE, STUBBS and SUBECK, cosponsored by Senators JAMES, PFAFF, DASSLER-ALFHEIM, L. JOHNSON, KEYESKI, RATCLIFF, ROYS, SPREITZER, TESTIN and WALL. Referred to Committee on Rules.

1     **Relating to:** honoring the 50th anniversary of the child support program.

2           Whereas, President Gerald R. Ford Jr. signed the Social Services  
3     Amendments of 1974 (H.R. 17045), into law on January 4, 1975, creating the  
4     federal child support program as we know it today; and

5           Whereas, President Ford recognized the importance of child support at the  
6     time, calling it “a major piece of domestic legislation and a significant step forward  
7     in Federal-State relations”; and

8           Whereas, Wisconsin’s child support program is administered by the  
9     Department of Children and Families and operated by 71 county child support  
10    agencies and nine tribal child support agencies; and

11          Whereas, child support is one of the most effective anti-poverty programs in  
12    the nation, and analysis of Wisconsin data shows that child support closed the  
13    poverty gap by an average of 44 percent; and

