

State of Wisconsin



2009 Senate Joint Resolution 12

ENROLLED JOINT RESOLUTION

Relating to: recognizing and supporting national Minority Cancer Awareness Week.

Whereas, the American Cancer Society is the nationwide community-based voluntary health organization dedicated to eliminating cancer as a major health problem through prevention measures, saving lives, and diminishing suffering from cancer through research, education, advocacy, and service; and

Whereas, national Minority Cancer Awareness Week provides an opportunity to inform the minority community about the dangers of cancer and ways to prevent it; and

Whereas, this year alone, approximately 1.37 million new cases of cancer will be diagnosed in the United States and 26,340 in Wisconsin alone; and

Whereas, African-Americans have the highest death rate for cancer of any racial or ethnic group, and cancer is the second leading cause of death for Hispanic adults; and

Whereas, the American Cancer Society offers help for all people facing cancer and strives to eliminate the unequal cancer burden that falls on minority and low-income communities; now, therefore, be it

Resolved by the senate, the assembly concurring, That April 19–25, 2009, is proclaimed Minority Cancer Awareness Week in Wisconsin.

Representative Michael J. Sheridan
Speaker of the Assembly

Senator Fred A. Risser
President of the Senate

Date

Robert J. Marchant
Senate Chief Clerk