

2007 ASSEMBLY JOINT RESOLUTION 119

March 11, 2008 – Introduced by Representatives WASSERMAN, A. OTT, BERCEAU, BOYLE, HRAYCHUCK, MASON, MUSSER, OWENS, SHERIDAN and ZEPNICK, cosponsored by Senators KAPANKE, DARLING and COWLES. Referred to Committee on Rules.

1	Relating to: recognizing May as Melanoma and Skin Cancer Detection and
2	Prevention month.
3	Whereas, most people do not realize that the skin is the largest and most visible
4	organ of the body and performs many essential tasks; and
5	Whereas, more than 1 million new cases of skin cancer will be diagnosed in the
6	United States this year; and
7	Whereas, one in five Americans will develop skin cancer during his or her
8	lifetime; and
9	Whereas, this year, there will be about 116,500 new cases of melanoma, the
10	deadliest form of skin cancer; and
11	Whereas, melanoma is the most common form of cancer for young adults
12	between the ages of 25 and 29 and the second most common form of cancer for
13	adolescents and young adults between the ages of 15 and 29; and
14	Whereas, more than 75 percent of all skin cancer deaths are from melanoma,
15	and one person dies almost every hour from melanoma; and

Whereas, melanoma and other skin cancers, if detected early, are highly
 treatable; and

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Whereas, the American Academy of Dermatology's Melanoma and Skin Cancer
Detection and Prevention Month is a public education campaign designed to promote
the prevention and early detection of melanoma and other skin cancers through its
See Spot...Check Spot...Save a Life campaign; now, therefore, be it

Resolved by the assembly, the senate concurring, That the Wisconsin
legislature formally recognizes May as Melanoma and Skin Cancer Detection and
Prevention Month in Wisconsin; and, be it further

Resolved, That the legislature formally recognizes the work and success of the
 Wisconsin Dermatological Society in educating the citizens of Wisconsin on how to
 spot the warning signs of skin cancer through both skin self-examinations and free
 skin cancer screenings offered by dermatologists.

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