

2009 ASSEMBLY JOINT RESOLUTION 134

April 22, 2010 – Introduced by Representatives Strachota, Ziegelbauer, LeMahieu, Gunderson, M. Williams, Kleefisch, Suder, Kestell, Vos, Spanbauer, Davis, Townsend, Zipperer, Kerkman, Brooks, Kaufert, A. Ott and Huebsch, cosponsored by Senators Lazich, Grothman, Kedzie, Kapanke, Leibham and Darling. Referred to Committee on Rules.

1	Relating to: proclaiming May 6, 2010, as Wisconsin Day of Prayer.
2	Whereas, because of the faith of many of our founding fathers, public prayer
3	and national days of prayer have a long-standing and significant history in
4	American tradition; and
5	Whereas, the National Day of Prayer is an annual observance held on the first
6	Thursday of May, inviting people of all faiths to pray for the nation; and
7	Whereas, the National Day of Prayer is a vital part of our heritage; and
8	Whereas, since the first call to prayer in 1775, when the Continental Congress
9	asked the colonies to pray for wisdom in forming a nation, the call to prayer has
10	continued through our history; and
11	Whereas, each year, the president signs a proclamation, encouraging all
12	Americans to pray on this day; and
13	Whereas, last year, all 50 state governors plus the governors of several U.S.
14	territories signed similar proclamations; and

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1	Whereas, a day of prayer enables us to recall and to teach the way in which our
2	founding fathers sought the wisdom of God when faced with critical decisions; and
3	Whereas, this is a day that transcends differences, bringing together citizens
4	from all backgrounds; and
5	Whereas, this day stands as a call to us to humbly come before God, seeking His
6	guidance for our leaders and His grace upon us as a people; and
7	Whereas, on April 15, 2010, the U.S. District Court for the Western District of
8	Wisconsin struck down the statute establishing the National Day of Prayer; now,
9	therefore, be it
10	Resolved by the assembly, the senate concurring, That the legislature
11	proclaims May 6, 2010, as Wisconsin Day of Prayer.
12	(END)