

State of Misconsin 2013 - 2014 LEGISLATURE



2013 SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION 71

February 13, 2014 – Introduced by Senators Lazich and L. Taylor, cosponsored by Representatives Endsley, Skowronski and Johnson. Referred to Committee on Senate Organization.

1	Relating to: proclaiming June as Pelvic Organ Prolapse Awareness Month.
2	Whereas, there is little awareness of pelvic organ prolapse; and
3	Whereas, there has been no formal government initiative to shift awareness of
4	pelvic organ prolapse; and
5	Whereas, half of women who give birth vaginally experience pelvic organ
6	prolapse; and
7	Whereas, half of women in menopause experience pelvic organ prolapse; and
8	Whereas, there is currently no standard screening protocol for pelvic organ
9	prolapse during routine pelvic exams; and
10	Whereas, pelvic organ prolapse has remained shrouded in silence despite being
11	on medical record for over four thousand years, in the Kahun Gynaecological
12	Papyrus of 1835 B.C.; and
13	Whereas, women with pelvic organ prolapse are impacted physically,
14	emotionally, socially, and sexually, as well as within fitness and employment
15	dynamics; and

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Whereas, the stigma of embarrassing symptoms currently makes it difficult for women to reveal those symptoms to health care practitioners; and

Whereas, awareness and screening have the potential to shift the impact of pelvic floor health balance in the lives of all women regarding stigma and access to early diagnosis and treatment, as well as establish educational paths and advocacy; now, therefore, be it

Resolved by the senate, the assembly concurring, That the members of the Wisconsin legislature join our colleagues in Congress by proclaiming June as Pelvic Organ Prolapse Awareness Month.

10 (END)