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## **2015 ASSEMBLY JOINT RESOLUTION 35**

May 7, 2015 – Introduced by Representatives Milroy, BERCEAU, BROSTOFF, DANOU, DOYLE, GOYKE, HEBL, HESSELBEIN, HINTZ, JORGENSEN, KAHL, KOLSTE, MASON, MEYERS, MURPHY, MURTHA, NOVAK, OHNSTAD, A. OTT, PETRYK, POPE, ROHRKASTE, SARGENT, SHANKLAND, SINICKI, SPIROS, SPREITZER, SUBECK, C. TAYLOR, WACHS, ZAMARRIPA and ZEPNICK, cosponsored by Senators BEWLEY, CARPENTER, ERPENBACH, HANSEN, LASSA, L. TAYLOR, VINEHOUT and WIRCH. Referred to Committee on Rules.

1	Relating to: designating May as Older Americans Month in Wisconsin.
2	Whereas, the State of Wisconsin has a thriving community of older Americans
3	who deserve recognition for their contributions and sacrifices to ensure a better life
4	for future generations; and
5	Whereas, the Wisconsin state legislature is committed to helping all
6	individuals live longer, healthier lives in the communities of their choice for as long
7	as possible; and
8	Whereas, since 1965, the Older Americans Act has provided services that help
9	older adults remain healthy and independent by complementing existing medical
10	and health care systems, helping prevent hospital readmissions, and supporting
11	some of life's most basic functions, such as bathing or preparing meals; and
12	Whereas, these programs also support family caregivers, address issues of
13	exploitation, neglect, and abuse of older adults, and adapt services to the needs of
14	Native American elders; and

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1	Whereas, the Wisconsin state legislature recognizes the value of community
2	engagement and service in helping older adults remain healthy and active while
3	giving back to others; and
4	Whereas, the Wisconsin state legislature encourages opportunities to enrich
5	the lives of individuals of all ages by promoting and engaging in activity, wellness,
6	and social inclusion; emphasizing home-based and community-based services that
7	support independent living; and ensuring that citizens of all ages benefit from the
8	contributions and experience of older adults; now, therefore, be it
9	<b>Resolved by the assembly, the senate concurring, That</b> the month of May
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- 10 shall be designated as "Older Americans Month" in Wisconsin.
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