

State of Misconsin 2015 - 2016 LEGISLATURE

## **2015 SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION 24**

April 8, 2015 – Introduced by Senators L. TAYLOR, VINEHOUT, LASSA and HARRIS DODD, cosponsored by Representatives HEBL, GOYKE, ZAMARRIPA, MILROY, BERCEAU, SINICKI and C. TAYLOR. Referred to Committee on Senate Organization.

1	Relating to: declaring April to be Health and Wellness Month.
2	Whereas, April is Health and Wellness Month within the Milwaukee Public
3	Schools, where health education and physical activity are an important part of the
4	curriculum; and
5	Whereas, the schools also encourage collaboration with farms and local food
6	producers so children learn where their food comes from, have access to fresh food,
7	and support local growers; and
8	Whereas, access to healthy food resources can be affected by socioeconomic
9	status; and
10	Whereas, heart disease, cancer, stroke, and diabetes are leading causes of death
11	for African Americans in the United States, according to the Centers for Disease
12	Control and Prevention; and
13	Whereas, the CDC has reported on health disparities for African Americans in
14	premature death from stroke and coronary heart disease, infant mortality, diabetes
15	prevalence, and obesity prevalence; and

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1	Whereas, health disparities by socioeconomic status exist and persist in the
2	City of Milwaukee; and

- Whereas, innovative and collaborative efforts with communities can be used to
  promote health and wellness across the state; now, therefore, be it
- *Resolved by the senate, the assembly concurring, That* April is declared
  Health and Wellness Month in Wisconsin.