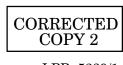


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## 2017 ASSEMBLY JOINT RESOLUTION 96

January 12, 2018 - Introduced by Representative VanderMeer, cosponsored by Senator Feyen. Referred to Committee on Rules.

Relating to: recognizing January as Glaucoma Awareness Month in Wisconsin.

2	Whereas, glaucoma is a group of eye diseases that cause vision loss through
3	damage to the optic nerve; and
4	Whereas, over three million Americans have glaucoma, with experts
5	estimating that at least half of those people are not aware of it; and
6	Whereas, glaucoma is the world's second-leading cause of blindness according
7	the World Health Organization; and
8	Whereas, glaucoma has virtually no symptoms, is gradual, and causes
9	irreversible blindness; and
10	Whereas, glaucoma can be detected through comprehensive eye examinations,
11	and medications or surgery can help slow or prevent further vision loss; and
12	Whereas, glaucoma is the leading cause of blindness for African-Americans,
13	and high-risk groups include people over 60, diabetics, and people of African,
14	Hispanic, and Asian descent; and

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Whereas, early detection is crucial to treating the condition where up to 40 percent of vision loss can occur without a person noticing; now, therefore, be it

\*Resolved by the assembly, the senate concurring, That\* the legislature recognizes January as Glaucoma Awareness Month in Wisconsin.

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