

State of Misconsin 2019 - 2020 LEGISLATURE

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2019 ASSEMBLY JOINT RESOLUTION 83

September 12, 2019 - Introduced by Representatives Zamarripa, Anderson, Bowen, Brostoff, Cabrera, Considine, Crowley, Emerson, Fields, Goyke, Gruszynski, Haywood, Hebl, Hesselbein, Hintz, Kolste, B. Meyers, Milroy, Murphy, L. Myers, Neubauer, Ohnstad, Pope, Riemer, Sargent, Shankland, Sinicki, Spreitzer, Stubbs, Stuck, Subeck, C. Taylor, Tusler, Vining and Vruwink, cosponsored by Senators Carpenter, Ringhand, Bewley, Hansen, Larson, Risser, L. Taylor and Wirch. Referred to Committee on Rules.

Relating to: recognizing and proclaiming Hispanic Heritage Month, a month-long 1 $\mathbf{2}$ celebration of the culture and traditions of U.S. residents who trace their roots 3 to Spain, Mexico, Puerto Rico, and the Spanish-speaking nations of Central America, South America, and the Caribbean. 4 5 Whereas, the story of Hispanics and Latinos is the story of America, in that they 6 have contributed in various fields, from the arts, sciences, sports, and culture to the 7 economy, have encompassed the American dream, and have brought the energy and drive of recent immigrants to this country; and 8 9 Whereas, Latinos serve in government at every level, from school boards to the 10 state house, from city councils and mayoral offices to Congress; and 11 Whereas, Latinos have served with honor and distinction in every conflict 12 involving the United States since the Revolutionary War and have made valuable 13 contributions through their service to this country; and

1	Whereas, the U.S. Census Bureau estimated that by July 2015 the Hispanic
2	population had surpassed 54 million people, constituting 17 percent of the total
3	population of the United States, making Hispanics the largest minority group; and
4	Whereas, the U.S. Census Bureau estimates that by 2060 Latino people will
5	comprise over 28 percent of the total U.S. population, with 119 million residing in the
6	United States; and
7	Whereas, only Mexico has a larger Hispanic population than the United States;
8	and
9	Whereas, Puerto Rico is part of the United States and all Puerto Ricans are U.S.
10	citizens; and
11	Whereas, more than 364,000 Latinos call Wisconsin home; and
12	Whereas, Latinos are the fastest growing constituency in Wisconsin; and
13	Whereas, Latino Wisconsinites are known for their strong work ethic and
14	commitment to their families, and Latino Wisconsinites contribute immensely to
15	many communities across this great state; now, therefore, be it
16	Resolved by the assembly, the senate concurring, That: the members of the
17	Wisconsin Legislature honor the achievements of Hispanics and Latinos in America
18	and honor the many ways they continue to enrich our nation and shape our common
19	future; and, be it further
20	Resolved, That following in the footsteps of Congress, the Wisconsin
21	Legislature proclaims September 15 to October 15 Hispanic Heritage Month in
22	Wisconsin.
23	(END)