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2021 SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION 5

February 5, 2021 - Introduced by Senators Agard, Petrowski, Roys, L. Taylor, Larson, Wirch, Ringhand, Johnson, Smith and Cowles, cosponsored by Representatives Spiros, Vining, Kerkman, Novak, Milroy, Sinicki, L. Myers, Baldeh, Hesselbein, Rozar, Spreitzer, Neubauer, S. Rodriguez, Moses, Subeck, Cabrera, Shelton, Bowen, Anderson, Skowronski, Mursau and Shankland. Referred to Committee on Senate Organization.

Relating to: recognizing February as Teen Dating Violence Awareness and 1 $\mathbf{2}$ Prevention Month. 3 Whereas, February is recognized across the nation as Teen Dating Violence Awareness and Prevention Month; and 4 5 Whereas, dating violence is a reality for many youth and an issue that many 6 parents are unaware of; and 7 Whereas, one in three young people are affected by physical, sexual, or verbal dating violence, with one in five women and one in ten men in a serious relationship 8 9 reporting having been slapped, pushed, hit, threatened, or coerced by a partner, and 10 breakups can be a time of even greater risk, even when a relationship was never physically abusive; and 11 12 Whereas, statistics show that suicidal ideation is six to nine times more

common in teens who had experienced physical or sexual violence; and

Whereas, young people can choose better relationships when they	ınderstand
that healthy relationships are based on respect and when they learn to ide	entify early
warning signs of an abusive relationship; and	
Whereas, the elimination of dating violence must be achieved the	nrough the
cooperation of individuals, organizations, and communities; and	
Whereas, Teen Dating Violence Awareness and Prevention Month p	orovides an
excellent opportunity for citizens to learn more about preventing dating v	iolence and
to show support for the numerous organizations and individuals who prov	vide critical
advocacy, services, and assistance to victims; now, therefore, be it	
Resolved by the senate, the assembly concurring, That the Wisconsin	
State Legislature does hereby recognize February as Teen Dating	g Violence
Awareness and Prevention Month.	

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