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2021 SENATE RESOLUTION 3

January 21, 2021 - Introduced by Senators Smith, Agard, Carpenter, Erpenbach, Larson, Roys, Johnson, L. Taylor and Wirch. Referred to Committee on Senate Organization.

Relating to: condemning the violent insurrection in Washington, D.C. 1 2 Whereas, the general election for President of the United States was held on 3 November 3, 2020; and Whereas, after counting, canvassing, and recounting votes, Joseph R. Biden 4 5 and Kamala D. Harris were certified as the winners of the state of Wisconsin, having 6 earned over 20.000 more votes than Donald J. Trump and Michael R. Pence: and 7 Whereas, nationally, Joseph R. Biden and Kamala D. Harris earned 81,283,485 8 votes and 306 Electoral College delegates compared to 74,223,744 votes and 232 9 Electoral College delegates for Donald J. Trump and Michael R. Pence; and 10 Whereas, President Donald J. Trump has obsessively, recklessly, and without evidence, claimed that widespread voter fraud and a litany of conspiracy theories 11 12 influenced the outcome of the November 3, 2020, general election; and 13 Whereas, President Donald J. Trump promoted and was a featured speaker at

the January 6, 2021, "March to Save America" rally in Washington D.C.; and

Whereas, in his remarks to the crowd, President Donald J. Trump falsely claimed "we won this election, and we won it by a landslide" and encouraged the assembled mob to march on the U.S. Capitol; and

Whereas, at the urging of the President, and in an attempt to subvert the democratic counting of Electoral College votes, an armed mob of Trump supporters stormed the U.S. Capitol, unlawfully gaining entrance to the building after smashing windows and breaching police barricades; and

Whereas, the mob violently looted and vandalized the U.S. Capitol building while assaulting members of law enforcement and forcing drastic emergency actions to protect and safeguard the Vice President of the United States, lawmakers, members of the media, and the general public; and

Whereas, at least five people died, dozens were physically injured, and countless more suffered severe trauma as a result of the violent insurrection; and

Whereas, the Federal Bureau of Investigation has received information regarding coordinated armed protests at all 50 state capitols involving threats from armed domestic terrorist organizations to storm state, local and federal government buildings, directly threatening the safety and security of the Wisconsin State Senate and its members; and

Whereas, the dangerous language used by President Donald J. Trump to question the legitimacy of our elections and incite violence has drawn bipartisan condemnation from Wisconsin's federal delegation; now, therefore, be it

Resolved by the senate, That in recognition of the fair, impartial, and legitimate November 3, 2020, general election for President of the United States, the Wisconsin State Senate recognizes and affirms Joseph R. Biden and Kamala D.

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1	Harris as the certified winners of Wisconsin's Electoral College votes; and, be it
2	further
3	Resolved, That the Wisconsin State Senate rejects President Donald J.
4	Trump's claims of a "stolen election" and denounces the conspiracies espoused by him
5	as un-American, demonstrably false, undermining of our core democratic values,
6	and dangerous to the peaceful transition of presidential authority; and, be it further
7	Resolved, That the Wisconsin State Senate condemns the violent insurrection
8	that was incited by President Donald J. Trump on January 6, 2021, in Washington,
9	D.C.; and, be it further
10	Resolved, That the Wisconsin State Senate offers its condolences to the family
11	and loved ones of U.S. Capitol Police Officer Brian D. Sicknick, a military veteran
12	and twelve year member of the U.S. Capitol Police Department, who was fatally
13	injured by the violent mob.

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