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1	Relating to: designating September 2023 and September 2024 as Ovarian Cancer
2	Awareness Month.
3	Whereas, ovarian cancer is the deadliest of all gynecologic cancers and is most
4	common in postmenopausal women; and
5	Whereas, ovarian cancer ranks 17th in rates of new cancer cases among women
6	in the United States, but ranks sixth among cancer deaths for women, and is the
7	leading cause of death from cancer of the female reproductive system; and
8	Whereas, ovarian cancer accounts for 2.1 percent of all new cancer cases for
9	women, but 4.6 percent of all cancer deaths among women; and
10	Whereas, every woman is at risk for ovarian cancer regardless of age, heritage,
11	or medical history, and women with a family history of ovarian cancer and other
12	genetic factors are at an even higher risk; and
13	Whereas, approximately 230,000 women in the United States are living with

1	Whereas, the incidence of ovarian cancer in Wisconsin is slightly higher than
2	the national average; and
3	Whereas, only half of women diagnosed with ovarian cancer survive beyond five
4	years; and
5	Whereas, ovarian cancer may not cause early symptoms, and therefore its
6	diagnosis often does not occur until the disease has reached an advanced stage, at
7	which point the cancer may spread to other parts of the body; and
8	Whereas, the five-year survival rate for Stage 1 ovarian cancer is more than
9	90 percent, but the five year-survival rate for late-stage ovarian cancer is below 30
10	percent, and only 17 percent of ovarian cancers are diagnosed at Stage 1; and
11	Whereas, while a mammogram can detect breast cancer and a pap smear can
12	detect cervical cancer, there is no reliable early detection test for ovarian cancer; and
13	Whereas, additional ovarian cancer research and clinical trials are urgently
14	needed to develop prevention strategies, early detection tools, and better therapies,
15	in hopes of eventually finding a cure; and
16	Whereas, awareness and education are crucial, and women's lives will be saved
17	through public awareness about ovarian cancer and its risk factors, signs, and
18	symptoms; now, therefore, be it
19	Resolved by the assembly, the senate concurring, That the legislature
20	proclaims September 2023 and September 2024 to be Ovarian Cancer Awareness
21	Month in Wisconsin.
22	(END)