



2025 SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION 25

April 14, 2025 - Introduced by Senators DRAKE, RATCLIFF, CABRAL-GUEVARA, LARSON and ROYS, cosponsored by Representatives SUBECK, BARE, BROWN, CLANCY, DESMIDT, GOODWIN, KIRSCH, MADISON, ORTIZ-VELEZ, SINICKI, STUBBS and TENORIO. Referred to Committee on Senate Organization.

1 **Relating to:** commending the IBS Patient Support Group on its recognition of
2 April 17 through April 19, 2025, as World IBS Days.

3 Whereas, irritable bowel syndrome (IBS) is a gastrointestinal disorder of gut-
4 brain interaction that is characterized by recurring abdominal pain, bloating, and
5 altered bowel movement. Although many Americans suffer from individual
6 symptoms, they do not realize it is a medical condition called IBS, and for this
7 reason, it often goes undiagnosed by physicians and patients; and

8 Whereas, the symptoms of IBS affect up to 20 percent of the population, or just
9 over 35 million Americans. The quality of life is significantly lower in people
10 suffering from the symptoms of IBS than in healthy people; and

11 Whereas, although IBS has a considerable impact on personal relationships
12 and working practices, people with these symptoms often suffer in silence because
13 of their reluctance to discuss their pain; and

14 Whereas, a number of Wisconsin organizations, including the IBS Patient

1 Support Group, are committed to supporting people suffering with the symptoms of
2 IBS, by raising public awareness, discovering innovative therapies, and providing
3 patient educational materials; and

4 Whereas, Milwaukee's iconic Daniel Hoan Memorial Bridge will be lit purple
5 on April 18 in solidarity with IBS patients; now, therefore, be it

6 ***Resolved by the senate, the assembly concurring, That*** the Wisconsin
7 Legislature hereby commends the IBS Patient Support Group on its recognition of
8 April 17 through April 19, 2025, as World IBS Days and encourages all residents of
9 Wisconsin to support and participate in organizations, events, and activities that
10 raise awareness of IBS; and, be it further

11 ***Resolved, That*** a copy of this resolution be forwarded by the senate chief clerk
12 to the IBS Patient Support Group.

13 (END)