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## 2025 SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION 73

June 19, 2025 - Introduced by Senators Roys, Spreitzer, Carpenter, Dassler-Alfheim, Ratcliff, Drake, Habush Sinykin, Hesselbein, L. Johnson, Keyeski, Larson, Smith and Wall, cosponsored by Representatives Phelps, Rivera-Wagner, Snodgrass, Cruz, Neubauer, Spaude, Stroud, Udell, Arney, Clancy, Anderson, Andraca, Bare, Brown, DeSanto, DeSmidt, Emerson, Fitzgerald, Hong, Hysell, Joers, Johnson, Madison, Mayadev, McCarville, Miresse, Moore Omokunde, Ortiz-Velez, Palmeri, Prado, Roe, Stubbs, Subeck, Tenorio, Vining and Haywood. Referred to Committee on Senate Organization.

**Relating to:** recognizing June 2025 as LGBTQ Pride Month.

Whereas, Wisconsin has a committed history of being at the forefront of supporting equality for all its citizens; and

Whereas, in February 1982, Wisconsin made history when Governor Lee Sherman Dreyfus signed the nation's first state law protecting lesbians and gay people from discrimination in employment, housing, and public accommodations; and

Whereas, in the intervening years, tremendous advancements have been made with respect to equitable treatment of lesbian, gay, bisexual, transgender, and queer or questioning (LGBTQ) people both in Wisconsin and throughout the nation; and

Whereas, Wisconsin elected the first openly LGBTQ member of the U.S. Senate, and the Wisconsin state legislature has 13 openly LGBTQ members; and

Whereas, in June 2014, same-sex couples were legally able to marry in

1	Wisconsin, and the U.S. Supreme Court affirmed the equal right to marriage for
2	same-sex couples in all 50 states in June 2015; and
3	Whereas, despite these advances, LGBTQ people continue to face
4	discrimination, and LGBTQ youth continue to be at increased risk for bullying,
5	substance abuse, depression, homelessness, and suicide; and
6	Whereas, June has become a symbolic month in which LGBTQ people and
7	their allies have come together in various celebrations of pride; and
8	Whereas, recognizing Pride Month will help foster an atmosphere of inclusion,
9	acceptance, and celebration to the community; and
10	Whereas, LGBTQ individuals, along with their families, friends and
11	neighbors, will be honoring Pride Month in communities across our state; and
12	Whereas, the month-long celebration is an opportunity for all people in the
13	state to affirm their commitment to mutual respect and understanding; now,
14	therefore, be it
15	Resolved by the senate, the assembly concurring, That the Wisconsin
16	legislature recognizes June 2025 as LGBTQ Pride Month.
17	(END)