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April 15, 2025 - Introduced by Representatives Gustafson, Bare, Clancy, Dittrich, Hong, J. Jacobson, Johnson, Knodl, Madison, Miresse, Mursau, O'Connor, Ortiz-Velez, Phelps, Stubbs, Subeck and Kaufert, cosponsored by Senators Tomczyk, Marklein, Hesselbein, Ratcliff and Spreitzer. Referred to Committee on Rules.

Relating to: designating April 2025 and April 2026 as Testicular Cancer Awareness Month in Wisconsin.

Whereas, testicular cancer is the most common cancer among men between the ages of 20 and 40 and the second most common cancer among boys between the ages of 15 and 19; and

Whereas, according to Johns Hopkins Medicine, testis cancer, commonly referred to as testicular cancer, is most common in men in their late 20s and early 30s, with an average age of diagnosis of approximately 33 years of age; and

Whereas, while the average age of men diagnosed is 33 years of age, approximately 6 percent of cases occur in children and teens, and approximately 8 percent will occur in men over 55 years of age; and

Whereas, according to the American Cancer Society, one in 250 men, or approximately 9,910 men, will be diagnosed with testicular cancer annually in the United States; and

Whereas, there will be an estimated 460 testicular cancer-related deaths this year; and

Whereas, according to the American Society of Clinical Oncology, the number of cases associated with testicular cancer has seen an increase over the course of several decades; and

Whereas, the increase of testicular cancer cases is attributed to men being less likely to schedule regular health examinations and give self-examinations for a variety of common diseases; and

Whereas, approximately 68 percent of testicular cancer diagnoses are made in the early stage; and

Whereas, the survival rate is higher for men diagnosed with early stage testicular cancer rather than later stage testicular cancer; and

Whereas, greater education on testicular cancer will encourage men to introduce positive health-related habits into their lives; now, therefore, be it

Resolved by the assembly, the senate concurring, That the Wisconsin State Legislature designates April 2025 and April 2026 as Testicular Cancer Awareness Month in Wisconsin.

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