



2009 ASSEMBLY JOINT RESOLUTION 111

February 25, 2010 – Introduced by Representative HUBLER, cosponsored by Senator JAUCH. Referred to Committee on Rules.

1 **Relating to:** declaring May 29, 2010, as Wisconsin Canoe Heritage Day.

2 Whereas, Wisconsin boasts thousands of miles of streams and rivers and
3 thousands of acres of lakes that are available to canoe enthusiasts; and

4 Whereas, canoes were employed by the Native American inhabitants of
5 Wisconsin and by the explorers and trappers that came after, including by Father
6 Jacques Marquette and fur trader Louis Joliet, who crossed Wisconsin in the
7 summer of 1673 in two canoes paddled by five coureurs de bois; and

8 Whereas, Presidents Coolidge, Cleveland, Hoover, and Eisenhower fished
9 Wisconsin's Brule River from canoes; and

10 Whereas, Wisconsin has a distinguished history in the industrial manufacture
11 of canoes and a proud tradition of canoe restoration and canoe building by private
12 craftsmen that has contributed to the evolution of traditional canoe design; and

13 Whereas, canoes continue to be employed by recreational boaters, hunters, and
14 fishers to the present day, and canoeing provides a healthy recreational outlet for
15 many Wisconsin residents and visitors; and

