



## 2019 ASSEMBLY JOINT RESOLUTION 18

April 1, 2019 - Introduced by Representatives BILLINGS, BALLWEG, KOLSTE, FELZKOWSKI, PETRYK, BOWEN, MILROY, ALLEN, MAGNAFICI, HEBL, C. TAYLOR, VINING, SINICKI, SHANKLAND, ANDERSON, CROWLEY, EMERSON, HESSELBEIN, VRUWINK, MYERS, POPE, NEUBAUER, VANDERMEER, SNYDER, RODRIGUEZ, ZAMARRIPA, JAMES, SARGENT, HORLACHER, EDMING, MURSAU, DOYLE, MEYERS, ROHRKASTE, STUBBS, NOVAK, DUCHOW, GRUSZYNSKI, KERKMAN, SUBECK, CONSIDINE, RAMTHUN, OHNSTAD, SPREITZER, SKOWRONSKI, PLUMER and SPIROS, cosponsored by Senators JOHNSON, JACQUE, HANSEN, CARPENTER, WIRCH, BEWLEY, L. TAYLOR, LARSON, NASS, RISSER, KOOYENGA, DARLING, RINGHAND, BERNIER, COWLES and MARKLEIN. Referred to Committee on Rules.

1       **Relating to:** proclaiming April as Child Abuse and Neglect Prevention Month in  
2           Wisconsin.

3           Whereas, April is recognized nationally as Child Abuse and Neglect Prevention  
4       Month; and

5           Whereas, safe, stable, and nurturing relationships are essential to ensure that  
6       children reach their full potential and to prevent child maltreatment; and

7           Whereas, the toxic stress produced by child abuse and neglect is a significant  
8       public health problem with lasting and damaging effects on children's psychological,  
9       physical, and social health into adulthood; and

10          Whereas, building family protective factors, including parental resilience,  
11       knowledge of parenting and child development, social and emotional competence of  
12       children, concrete supports in times of need, and social connections, promotes the  
13       optimal development of children while reducing the likelihood of child  
14       maltreatment; and

