



2021 SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION 33

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1 **Relating to:** proclaiming May 2021 as Violence Prevention Month in the state of
2 Wisconsin.

3 Whereas, each year, thousands of individuals and families in Wisconsin bear
4 the physical, mental, and economic costs of violence; and

5 Whereas, violence takes many forms, including community violence, domestic
6 and intimate partner violence, sexual violence and human trafficking, child
7 maltreatment and exploitation, drug-related violence, and suicide; and

8 Whereas, violence is a leading cause of injury, disability, and premature death,
9 and merely witnessing violent incidents can result in psychological disorders, such
10 as depression, anxiety, and stress; and

11 Whereas, violence perpetuates cycles of trauma that echo across generations
12 and discourages economic development in affected areas, thereby negatively
13 impacting the accessibility of jobs, healthy food, and safe housing such that the
14 Institute for Economics & Peace estimates that the direct and indirect cost of violence
15 to the U.S. economy is \$1.4 trillion per year; and

