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2019 ASSEMBLY JOINT RESOLUTION 4

February 7, 2019 - Introduced by Representatives SARGENT, SPIROS, KOLSTE, ZAMARRIPA, TITTL, CROWLEY, PETRYK, HORLACHER, NOVAK, MURSAU, VRUWINK, ANDERSON, C. TAYLOR, CONSIDINE, SINICKI, KRUG, NEUBAUER, VINING, ZIMMERMAN, MYERS, SUBECK, FIELDS, SPREITZER, RAMTHUN, BOWEN, JAMES, MURPHY and TUSLER, cosponsored by Senators PETROWSKI, JOHNSON, SMITH, SCHACHTNER, LARSON, WIRCH, CARPENTER, ERPENBACH, RISSER, L. TAYLOR and SHILLING. Referred to Committee on Rules.

AUTHORS SUBJECT TO CHANGE

1 **Relating to:** recognizing February as Teen Dating Violence Awareness and
2 Prevention Month.

3 Whereas, February is recognized across the nation as Teen Dating Violence
4 Awareness and Prevention Month; and

5 Whereas, dating violence is a reality for many youth, and an issue that many
6 parents are unaware of; and

7 Whereas, one in three young people are affected by physical, sexual, or verbal
8 dating violence, with one in five women and one in ten men in a serious relationship
9 reporting having been slapped, pushed, hit, threatened, or coerced by a partner, and
10 breakups can be a time of even greater risk, even when a relationship was never
11 physically abusive; and

12 Whereas, statistics show that suicidal ideation is six to nine times more
13 common in teens who had experienced physical or sexual violence; and

Whereas, young people can choose better relationships when they understand that healthy relationships are based on respect and learn to identify early warning signs of an abusive relationship; and

Whereas, elimination of dating violence must be achieved through cooperation of individuals, organizations, and communities; and

Whereas, Teen Dating Violence Awareness and Prevention Month provides an excellent opportunity for citizens to learn more about preventing dating violence and to show support for the numerous organizations and individuals who provide critical advocacy, services, and assistance to victims; now, therefore, be it

Resolved by the assembly, the senate concurring, That the Wisconsin State Legislature does hereby recognize February as Teen Dating Violence Awareness and Prevention Month.

(END)