

State of Misconsin 2023 - 2024 LEGISLATURE

2023 ASSEMBLY JOINT RESOLUTION 67

September 6, 2023 – Introduced by Representatives J. ANDERSON, C. ANDERSON, ANDRACA, BALDEH, BARE, CABRERA, CLANCY, CONLEY, CONSIDINE, DONOVAN, DRAKE, EMERSON, HAYWOOD, HONG, JACOBSON, JOERS, MADISON, MOORE OMOKUNDE, MURPHY, MYERS, NEUBAUER, OHNSTAD, ORTIZ-VELEZ, PALMERI, RATCLIFF, SHANKLAND, SINICKI, SNODGRASS, STUBBS, SUBECK and VINING, cosponsored by Senators AGARD, CARPENTER, HESSELBEIN, LARSON, PFAFF, ROYS, SMITH, SPREITZER and WIRCH. Referred to Committee on Rules.

AUTHORS SUBJECT TO CHANGE

| 1 | Relating to: designating July 2023 as Disability Pride Month in Wisconsin. |
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| 2 | Whereas, disability is a natural part of human life and human diversity that |
| 3 | should not compromise a person's fundamental right to independence, |
| 4 | self-determination, or participation in public life; and |
| 5 | Whereas, the disabled community is the world's largest minority, making up an |
| 6 | estimated 15 percent of the world's population, including 61 million Americans and |
| 7 | more than 300,000 Wisconsinites; and |
| 8 | Whereas, disability intersects with many other identities, including race, |
| 9 | gender, and socioeconomic status, and touches every aspect of daily life, from health |
| 10 | care and housing to education and environmental justice; and |
| 11 | Whereas, disability is itself an extremely diverse identity, including physical |
| 12 | disabilities, neurodivergence, invisible and undiagnosed disabilities, psychiatric |
| 13 | disabilities, and sensory disabilities; and |
| 14 | Whereas, disabled activists have fought long and hard to break down barriers |
| 15 | to inclusion but nonetheless continue to face discrimination, segregation, and |

inaccessible environments that prevent them from living fully and equitably in their
 communities; and

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Whereas, the Americans with Disabilities Act, which prohibits discrimination on the basis of disability status and has helped ensure disabled people can access the accommodations they need, was signed into law on July 26, 1990; and

6 Whereas, during the month of July, we celebrate the value, contributions, and
7 diverse life experiences of disabled Wisconsinites and reaffirm our commitment to
8 build a more equitable and inclusive state for all; now therefore, be it

- 9 Resolved by the assembly, the senate concurring, That the Wisconsin
 10 Legislature designates July 2023 as Disability Pride Month in Wisconsin.
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