



## 2023 ASSEMBLY JOINT RESOLUTION 33

April 18, 2023 - Introduced by Representatives ROZAR, C. ANDERSON, DRAKE, EMERSON, MAGNAFICI, MOSES, MURPHY, OHNSTAD, SHANKLAND and SINICKI, cosponsored by Senators CABRAL-GUEVARA and FELZKOWSKI. Referred to Committee on Rules.

\*\*\*AUTHORS SUBJECT TO CHANGE\*\*\*

1     **Relating to:** proclaiming May 1 to 7, 2023, as Tardive Dyskinesia Awareness Week  
2           in Wisconsin.

3           Whereas, many people with serious mental health conditions, such as bipolar  
4     disorder, major depression, schizophrenia, and schizoaffective disorder, or  
5     gastrointestinal disorders, including gastroparesis, nausea, and vomiting, may be  
6     treated with medications that work as dopamine receptor blocking agents (DRBAs),  
7     including antipsychotics; and

8           Whereas, while ongoing treatment with these medications can be necessary,  
9     prolonged use can also lead to tardive dyskinesia (TD), an involuntary movement  
10    disorder that is characterized by uncontrollable, abnormal, and repetitive  
11    movements of the face, torso, or other body parts; and

12          Whereas, it is estimated that TD affects approximately 600,000 people in the  
13    United States, and approximately 70 percent of people with TD have not been  
14    diagnosed, making it important to raise awareness about the symptoms and impact

1 of TD because even mild symptoms of TD can have physical, social, and emotional  
2 consequences; and

3 Whereas, it is important that people taking DRBA medication be monitored for  
4 TD. Regular screening for TD in these patients is recommended by the American  
5 Psychiatric Association; and

6 Whereas, clinical research has led to the availability of two treatments for  
7 adults with TD approved by the U.S. Food and Drug Administration; and

8 Whereas, the legislature can raise awareness of TD in the public and medical  
9 community; now, therefore, be it

10 ***Resolved by the assembly, the senate concurring, That*** the legislature does  
11 hereby proclaim May 1 to 7, 2023, to be Tardive Dyskinesia Awareness Week in  
12 Wisconsin; and be it further

13 ***Resolved, That*** the legislature encourages each individual in the state of  
14 Wisconsin to become better informed about and aware of tardive dyskinesia.

15 (END)