



## 2023 ASSEMBLY JOINT RESOLUTION 50

May 25, 2023 – Introduced by Representatives CABRERA, NEUBAUER, SNODGRASS, RATCLIFF, CLANCY, C. ANDERSON, ANDRACA, BALDEH, BARE, CONLEY, CONSIDINE, EMERSON, GOYKE, HONG, JACOBSON, JOERS, MADISON, MOORE OMOKUNDE, OHNSTAD, ORTIZ-VELEZ, PALMERI, SHANKLAND, SHELTON, SINICKI, STUBBS, SUBECK, J. ANDERSON and HAYWOOD, cosponsored by Senators SPREITZER, CARPENTER, AGARD, HESSELBEIN, L. JOHNSON, LARSON, ROYS and SMITH. Referred to Committee on Rules.

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

1     **Relating to:** proclaiming November 20, 2023, as Wisconsin’s Transgender Day of  
2           Remembrance.

3           Whereas, Transgender Day of Remembrance, which occurs annually on  
4     November 20, is a day to memorialize those who have been murdered as a result of  
5     transphobia and to bring attention to the continued violence endured by the  
6     transgender and nonbinary community; and

7           Whereas, Transgender Day of Remembrance was founded in 1999 by  
8     Gwendolyn Ann Smith, a transgender woman, to memorialize the murder of  
9     transgender woman Rita Hester in Allston, Massachusetts; and

10          Whereas, since its inception, Transgender Day of Remembrance has evolved  
11     into an international day of action; and

12          Whereas, the American Medical Association recognizes the violence that  
13     transgender and nonbinary people face in our society as an epidemic; and

14          Whereas, transgender Americans face discrimination and violence at  
15     unacceptable rates, and in 2021, the Human Rights Campaign received a record

1 number of reports of fatal incidents against transgender and nonbinary people, with  
2 at least 59 lives taken; and

3 Whereas, in 2022, at least 38 transgender or nonbinary people were reported  
4 killed; and

5 Whereas, the American value of self-determination is under attack when a  
6 transgender person is murdered in a crime of hate; now, therefore, be it

7 ***Resolved by the assembly, the senate concurring, That*** the Wisconsin  
8 Legislature does hereby recognize and proclaim November 20, 2023, to be  
9 Wisconsin's Transgender Day of Remembrance.

10 (END)