



2023 SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION 42

May 15, 2023 - Introduced by Senators SPREITZER, CARPENTER, AGARD, HESSELBEIN, L. JOHNSON, LARSON, ROYS and SMITH, cosponsored by Representatives CABRERA, NEUBAUER, SNODGRASS, RATCLIFF, CLANCY, C. ANDERSON, J. ANDERSON, ANDRACA, BALDEH, BARE, CONLEY, CONSIDINE, EMERSON, GOYKE, HONG, JACOBSON, JOERS, MADISON, MOORE OMOKUNDE, OHNSTAD, ORTIZ-VELEZ, PALMERI, SHANKLAND, SHELTON, SINICKI, STUBBS and SUBECK. Referred to Committee on Senate Organization.

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

