



2019 SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION 26

April 24, 2019 - Introduced by Senators DARLING, L. TAYLOR, BEWLEY, COWLES, MARKLEIN, NASS, RINGHAND, RISSER and WIRCH, cosponsored by Representatives SCHRAA, BOWEN, CROWLEY, DUCHOW, EMERSON, FIELDS, HEBL, KERKMAN, KITCHENS, KOLSTE, KULP, MACCO, MAGNAFICI, MILROY, MYERS, OHNSTAD, PETRYK, SARGENT, SHANKLAND, SINICKI, SKOWRONSKI, SPIROS, SPREITZER, STUBBS, THIESFELDT, TITTL, VINING, VRUWINK, ZAMARRIPA and TUSLER. Referred to Committee on Senate Organization.

1 **Relating to:** proclaiming May as Lupus Awareness Month in Wisconsin.

2 Whereas, each year, the Lupus Foundation of America designates May as
3 National Lupus Awareness Month to show support for the two million Americans
4 who have Lupus, including 28,000 of whom reside in the state of Wisconsin; and

5 Whereas, this mysterious, often misdiagnosed, and chronic autoimmune
6 disease can be deadly, as inflammation attacks virtually any organ in the body,
7 including the skin, heart, lungs, brain, kidneys, and joints; and

8 Whereas, the average time to diagnose a patient with lupus is between four to
9 seven years, thereby allowing this disease to progress and delaying appropriate
10 treatment; and

11 Whereas, those who are diagnosed are usually between the ages of 15 to 44,
12 with 90 percent being female and 15 percent being children, and the disease is
13 two-to-three times more prevalent in women of color; and

14 Whereas, currently, there is no cure for lupus; and

