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2023 ASSEMBLY JOINT RESOLUTION 38

May 8, 2023 - Introduced by Representatives Andraca, Stubbs, C. Anderson, J. Anderson, Baldeh, Bare, Cabrera, Conley, Considine, Donovan, Drake, Emerson, Goyke, Haywood, Jacobson, Joers, Madison, McGuire, Moore Omokunde, Myers, Neubauer, Ohnstad, Ortiz-Velez, Palmeri, Ratcliff, Shelton, Sinicki, Snodgrass, Subeck and Vining, cosponsored by Senators L. Johnson, Carpenter, Roys, Spreitzer, Agard, Larson, Hesselbein, Smith and Taylor, Referred to Committee on Rules.

1 Relating to: proclaiming June 2, 2023, as Gun Violence Awareness Day in 2 Wisconsin. 3 Whereas, the U.S. Supreme Court has recognized that the right to bear arms under the Second Amendment to the U.S. Constitution is not unlimited and allows 4 for reasonable restrictions on firearms, including who can have firearms and under 5 6 what conditions, where firearms can be carried, and what types of firearms are 7 permissible; and Whereas, firearms have become the number one cause of death for children in 8 the United States and Wisconsin; and 9 10 Whereas, on average, every day in the United States approximately 316 people 11 are injured or killed with guns in murders, assaults, suicides, and accidents; and 12 Whereas, in Wisconsin, approximately 600 men, women, and children are killed with guns each year, and 70 percent of whom die as a result of suicide by 13 14 firearm; and

Whereas, in Wisconsin, over 1,000 people are wounded each year by guns; and

1	Whereas, gun deaths devastate families in urban, rural, and suburban areas;
2	and
3	Whereas, while Wisconsin's urban areas are disproportionately affected by gun
4	homicide, the state's less populated areas experience greater rates of gun suicide;
5	and
6	Whereas, gun violence costs our country \$557.2 billion in combined direct and
7	indirect expenses annually; and
8	Whereas, studies show that gun safety laws save lives and are associated with
9	lower firearm death rates; and
10	Whereas, Wisconsin has a long tradition of responsible gun ownership, safe gun
11	usage, and training to hunt with firearms; now, therefore, be it
12	Resolved by the assembly, the senate concurring, That the legislature
13	hereby proclaims June 2, 2023, as Gun Violence Awareness Day in Wisconsin.
14	(END)