

2023 ASSEMBLY JOINT RESOLUTION 79

- October 9, 2023 Introduced by Representatives August, Allen, C. Anderson, Armstrong, Baldeh, Bare, Behnke, Binsfeld, Callahan, Conley, Dallman, Dittrich, Donovan, Doyle, Drake, Duchow, Edming, Goeben, Green, Hurd, Joers, Kitchens, Krug, Kurtz, Magnafici, Melotik, Michalski, Murphy, Mursau, Nedweski, Novak, O'Connor, Ohnstad, Ortiz-Velez, Palmeri, Penterman, Petryk, Plumer, Pronschinske, Ratcliff, Rettinger, Riemer, Rozar, Schmidt, Schutt, Shelton, Sinicki, Snodgrass, Snyder, Sortwell, Spiros, Steffen, Stubbs, Summerfield, Tusler, VanderMeer, Vining, Vos, Wichgers and Wittke, cosponsored by Senators LeMahieu, Ballweg, Bradley, Cabral-Guevara, Carpenter, Felzkowski, Hesselbein, Jagler, James, Marklein, Nass, Pfaff, Quinn, Spreitzer, Tomczyk and Wanggaard. Referred to Committee on Rules.
- **Relating to:** recognizing October 17, 2023, as First Responders Appreciation Day 1 $\mathbf{2}$ in Wisconsin. 3 Whereas, October 28, 2023, is recognized nationally as First Responders Appreciation Day; and 4 5 Whereas, first responders include all professional and volunteer police, fire, 6 and emergency medical services (EMS) personnel; and 7 Whereas, first responders risk their safety on a daily basis to protect the public from threats and emergency situations and provide lifesaving services; and 8 9 Whereas, first responders stand ready to serve and protect the public 24 hours 10 per day; and Whereas, there are approximately 4.6 million first responders in the United 11 12States serving in disciplines such as law enforcement, emergency management, 13emergency medical services, fire and rescue, and public works; and

1 Whereas, in Wisconsin, there are over 4,728 career fire fighters, 21,000 2 volunteer fire fighters, 14,450 law enforcement officers, and 17,426 career and 3 volunteer EMS personnel; and

Whereas, first responders are vital to ensuring safety and security in our nation, state, and communities and deserve to be honored and recognized for their commitment to providing safety and lifesaving services; now, therefore, be it

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Legislature recognizes October 17, 2023, as First Responders Appreciation Day.

Resolved by the assembly, the senate concurring, That the Wisconsin