

State of Misconsin 2023 - 2024 LEGISLATURE

## **2023 SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION 126**

February 19, 2024 – Introduced by Senators Agard, Cowles, Larson and Spreitzer, cosponsored by Representatives Myers, Andraca, Bare, Binsfeld, Conley, Considine, Drake, Emerson, Jacobson, Joers, Moore Omokunde, Murphy, O'Connor, Ohnstad, Ratcliff, Rozar, Shankland, Stubbs and Subeck. Referred to Committee on Senate Organization.

1	Relating to: proclaiming March 2024 to be Kidney Month in Wisconsin.
2	Whereas, the National Kidney Foundation designated March as National
3	Kidney Month to help spread awareness about kidney disease and the ways it can
4	be detected and prevented; and
5	Whereas, kidneys serve many important health functions, including filtering
6	waste from the blood, directing the production of red blood cells, and regulating fluid
7	and blood pressure levels; and
8	Whereas, it is estimated that one in seven American adults has kidney disease
9	and that one in three adults is at a high risk for developing kidney disease; and
10	Whereas, kidney disease can cause several health problems, such as
11	cardiovascular disease, heart attack, high blood pressure, stroke, kidney failure, and
12	nerve damage; and
13	Whereas, the risk factors for kidney disease include diabetes, family history,
14	high blood pressure, and old age; and

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1	Whereas, African Americans are at an increased risk for chronic kidney disease
2	and kidney failure; and
3	Whereas, nine out of 10 people who have kidney disease do not know they have
4	it; and
5	Whereas, the symptoms of kidney disease may include swelling of the face,
6	abdomen, or extremities; bloody or foamy urine; painful urination; fatigue; or
7	increased thirst; and
8	Whereas, early detection and treatment of kidney disease can slow or prevent
9	disease progression; and
10	Whereas, according to the National Kidney Foundation, kidney disease risk
11	can be reduced by quitting smoking, regular exercise, maintaining a healthy weight,
12	controlling blood pressure and blood sugar, and avoiding excessive use of pain
13	medications; and
14	Whereas, the Wisconsin Legislature has an opportunity to join a national
15	awareness effort to promote kidney health; now, therefore, be it
16	Resolved by the senate, the assembly concurring, That the legislature
17	hereby proclaims March 2024 to be Kidney Month in Wisconsin.
18	(END)