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## 2023 SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION 38

May 8, 2023 - Introduced by Senators Feyen, Ballweg, Cowles, Marklein, Nass, Spreitzer, Wirch and Felzkowski, cosponsored by Representatives Moses, Armstrong, Binsfeld, Edming, Green, Kitchens, Murphy, Mursau, Myers, Novak, O'Connor, Palmeri, Penterman, Petryk, Rettinger, Schraa, Shelton, Sinicki, Spiros, Steffen, Tittl, Tranel, VanderMeer, Hurd and Rozar. Referred to Committee on Senate Organization.

Relating to: celebrating May 5, 2023, as Skilled Trades Day in Wisconsin.

Whereas, the construction industry is one of our nation's largest industries, and those in the skilled trades work in critical, rewarding, high-paying, high-demand jobs that cannot be outsourced overseas; and

Whereas, according to the Associated Builders and Contractors, over one in four construction workers are over 55 years old, and the construction industry will need to attract an estimated 546,000 additional workers on top of the normal pace of hiring in 2023; and

Whereas, Wisconsin's world-renowned registered apprentice program allows inexperienced individuals of any age to participate in structured, on-the-job training with classroom instruction where they earn while they learn; and

Whereas, according to the Wisconsin Technical College System, the annual median salary for all graduated construction apprentices is \$87,000; and

Whereas, National Skilled Trades Day was created to help raise awareness of
the important work of those men and women who build the places where we all live,
work, play, worship, learn, and heal; now, therefore, be it
Resolved by the senate, the assembly concurring, That the Wisconsin
Legislature celebrates May 5, 2023, as Skilled Trades Day in Wisconsin.
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