



State of Wisconsin  
2025 - 2026 LEGISLATURE

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## 2025 ASSEMBLY JOINT RESOLUTION 61

May 30, 2025 - Introduced by Representatives FITZGERALD, STUBBS, ANDERSON, ANDRACA, ARNEY, BARE, BROWN, CRUZ, DESANTO, DESMIDT, EMERSON, HYSELL, JOERS, JOHNSON, KIRSCH, MADISON, MAYADEV, MCCARVILLE, MIRESE, MOORE OMOKUNDE, NEUBAUER, ORTIZ-VELEZ, ROE, SINICKI, SNODGRASS, STROUD, TENORIO, UDELL, VINING and PRADO, cosponsored by Senators L. JOHNSON, RATCLIFF, CARPENTER, DRAKE, HABUSH SINYKIN, HESSELBEIN, KEYESKI, LARSON, ROYS, SMITH and SPREITZER. Referred to Committee on Rules.

1     **Relating to:** proclaiming June 6, 2025, as Gun Violence Awareness Day in  
2         Wisconsin.

3         Whereas, the U.S. Supreme Court has recognized that the right to bear arms  
4     under the Second Amendment to the U.S. Constitution is not unlimited and allows  
5     for reasonable restrictions on firearms, including who can have firearms and under  
6     what conditions, where firearms can be carried, and what types of firearms are  
7     permissible; and

8         Whereas, firearms have become the number one cause of death for children in  
9     the United States and Wisconsin; and

10        Whereas, on average, every day in the United States, approximately 327  
11     people are injured or killed with guns in murders, assaults, suicides, and accidents;  
12     and

13        Whereas, in Wisconsin, approximately 741 men, women, and children are

killed with guns each year, 64 percent of whom die as a result of suicide by firearm;  
and

Whereas, in Wisconsin, over 1,500 people are wounded each year by guns; and

Whereas, gun deaths devastate families in urban, rural, and suburban areas;

Whereas, while Wisconsin's urban areas are disproportionately affected by gun homicide, the state's less populated areas experience greater rates of gun suicide; and

Whereas, gun violence costs our country \$557.2 billion in combined direct and indirect expenses annually; and

Whereas, studies show that gun safety laws save lives and are associated with lower firearm death rates; and

Whereas, Wisconsin has a long tradition of responsible gun ownership, safe gun usage, and training to hunt with firearms; now, therefore, be it

***Resolved by the assembly, the senate concurring, That*** the legislature hereby proclaims June 6, 2025, as Gun Violence Awareness Day in Wisconsin.

**(END)**