



2019 ASSEMBLY JOINT RESOLUTION

1 **Relating to:** proclaiming May 2019 as Wisconsin Motherhood Month.

2 Whereas, the family, in which mothers perform a crucial role, is a major social
3 institution in Wisconsin and throughout the world that provides tremendous value
4 to both its members and society as a whole; and

5 Whereas, the family social unit may be forged by blood, marriage, foster care,
6 or adoption, and may be both nuclear, encompassing parents and children, and
7 extended, encompassing other relatives; and

8 Whereas, mothers have a unique bond with their children, often acting as the
9 eye in the storm; and

10 Whereas, women across Wisconsin place their trust and their children in the
11 arms of other women, sharing motherhood through foster care, respite care, and
12 adoption; and

13 Whereas, mothers across Wisconsin receive children into their arms at a
14 moment's notice; and

1 Whereas, mothers have an indispensable role in building and transforming
2 society and culture and move our state, country, and world forward, remaining
3 steadfast in their pursuit of a better and brighter future for their children; and

4 Whereas, the work of mothers is of paramount importance but is often
5 undervalued, unnoticed, and unappreciated; and

6 Whereas, mothers are innovators, tireless workers, engines of economic
7 growth, and drivers of progress; and

8 Whereas, mothers are breadwinners, community leaders, advocates, allies, and
9 pillars of family that have, for generations, blazed new paths, opened up new
10 possibilities, and widened circles of opportunity for their daughters and sons; and

11 Whereas, Wisconsin has significant racial disparities in maternal mortality
12 rates, which must be addressed; and

13 Whereas, Wisconsin has a proven record of meeting challenges and creating
14 positive change, and we are committed to making mothers' lives better and ensuring
15 their health and prosperity; and

16 Whereas, Mother's Day is celebrated in May across Wisconsin and nationwide;
17 and

18 Whereas, mothers, and the institution of motherhood, are worthy of honor and
19 affirmation; now, therefore, be it

20 ***Resolved by the assembly, the senate concurring, That*** the members of the
21 Wisconsin Legislature call upon the people of Wisconsin to observe May as Wisconsin
22 Motherhood Month with honor, affirmation, and respect to mothers in our state; and,
23 be it further

