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2025 SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION 31

April 16, 2025 - Introduced by Senators RATCLIFF, CARPENTER, SPREITZER, DASSLER-ALFHEIM, ROYS, LARSON, KEYESKI, HESSELBEIN, DRAKE and SMITH, cosponsored by Representatives SNODGRASS, NEUBAUER, CLANCY, ARNEY, CRUZ, PHELPS, RIVERA-WAGNER, STROUD, UDELL, MIRESSE, DESMIDT, TENORIO, HONG, ROE, FITZGERALD, JOERS, MADISON, KIRSCH, MOORE OMOKUNDE, DESANTO, ANDERSON, VINING, SUBECK, EMERSON, BARE, PALMERI, SINICKI, JOHNSON and MAYADEV. Referred to Committee on Senate Organization.

Relating to: proclaiming March 31, 2025, as Wisconsin's Transgender Day of Visibility.

Whereas, International Transgender Day of Visibility, which occurs annually on March 31, is a day set aside to acknowledge, celebrate, and elevate transgender and nonbinary people across the world and here in Wisconsin; and

Whereas, transgender and nonbinary individuals have achieved many great successes in fighting discrimination and continue in their efforts towards equality and fairness by combating indignity with dignity; and

Whereas, the stories of our transgender and nonbinary neighbors show us that perseverance can lead to systemic change and better conditions for all; and

Whereas, transgender and nonbinary Wisconsinites work hard to help other transgender and nonbinary people acquire access to health care, to improve others' mental and physical well-being, to raise awareness of issues affecting gender-nonconforming people of color, and to prevent the spread of HIV and AIDS; and

Whereas, transgender and nonbinary Wisconsinites in the armed forces serve our country with bravery and work to improve civil rights and health care for other transgender and nonbinary military service members; and

Whereas, transgender and nonbinary elected officials and candidates for office provide examples of courage and confidence in pursuing their values through political engagement and encouraging others to do so as well; and

Whereas, transgender and nonbinary performers bring authenticity to the stage and screen and demonstrate the importance of representation by sharing their lived experiences; and

Whereas, transgender and nonbinary Wisconsinites advocate for others by creating resources, trainings, and outreach materials to improve the visibility and inclusion of the transgender and nonbinary community, as well as helping others access and navigate gender-affirming services; and

Whereas, Diverse and Resilient, FORGE, SHEBA, the Wisconsin Transgender Health Coalition, GSAFE, the Human Rights Campaign, Fair Wisconsin, and other organizations across our state have dedicated their efforts to supporting the transgender and nonbinary community, showing the strength of collective action and building a more inclusive Wisconsin; and

Whereas, everyone has a role to play in making our communities places where transgender and nonbinary people are welcomed and supported and have the opportunity to thrive; and

Whereas, our transgender and nonbinary neighbors in Wisconsin have shown

great strength in the face of adversity and empower others to explore and embrace their full selves by living their truth; now, therefore, be it

Resolved by the senate, the assembly concurring, That the Wisconsin Legislature does hereby recognize and proclaim March 31, 2025, to be Wisconsin's Transgender Day of Visibility.

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