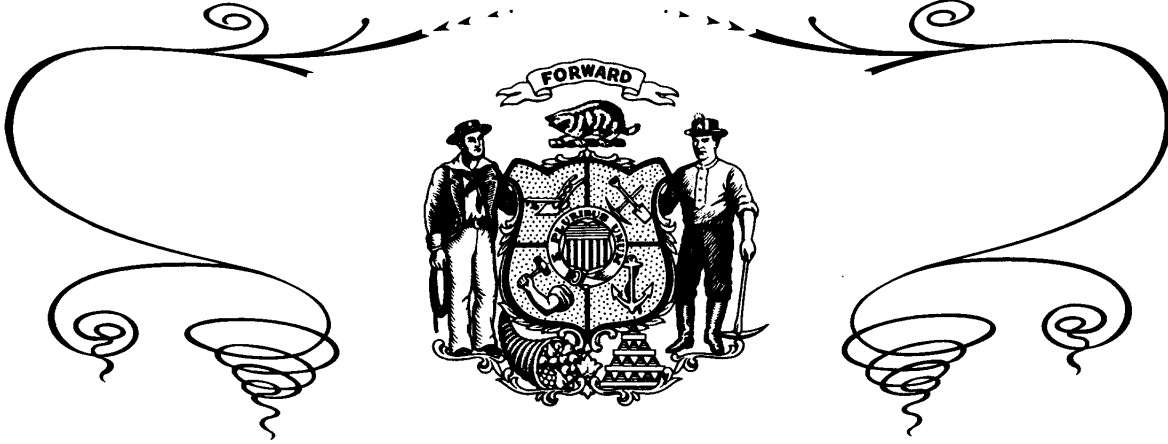


# State of Wisconsin



**2009 Assembly Joint Resolution 103**

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## ENROLLED JOINT RESOLUTION

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**Relating to:** recognizing February 2010 as American Heart Month.

Whereas, cardiovascular disease is the nation's leading cause of death with direct and indirect costs estimated to be \$475.3 billion in 2009; and

Whereas, cardiovascular disease accounts for over 35 percent of all deaths nationwide; and

Whereas, nearly 2,400 Americans die of cardiovascular disease each day, an average of one death every 37 seconds; and

Whereas, an estimated 785,000 people in the United States will have a new coronary attack, an estimated 470,000 people nationwide will have a recurrent attack, and an additional 195,000 "silent" coronary attacks will go undiagnosed this year; and

Whereas, cardiovascular disease accounts for over 32 percent of all deaths in Wisconsin; and

Whereas, cardiovascular disease is the cause of death for nearly 15,000 Wisconsinites each year; and

Whereas, cardiovascular disease accounts for nearly 90,000 hospitalizations in Wisconsin each year; and

Whereas, the research is clear that there are tools available to increase survival rates from cardiovascular disease; and

Whereas, efforts of the American Heart Association encourage citizens to help save lives by calling 9-1-1 if symptoms occur, by becoming trained in CPR, and by encouraging comprehensive automated external defibrillator (AED) programs in their communities; and

Whereas, the American Heart Association is celebrating February 2010 as American Heart Month and promoting education and awareness by encouraging citizens to learn the warning signs of heart attack and stroke; now, therefore, be it

***Resolved by the assembly, the senate concurring, That*** in recognition of the importance of the ongoing fight against heart disease, the legislature proclaims February 2010 to be American Heart Month.

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Senator Fred A. Risser  
President of the Senate

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Representative Michael J. Sheridan  
Speaker of the Assembly

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Date

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Patrick E. Fuller  
Assembly Chief Clerk