2015 Senate Joint Resolution 18

## **ENROLLED JOINT RESOLUTION**

Relating to: declaring March 2015 American Red Cross Month.

Whereas, since the early 1900s, the American Red Cross has played a critical role in helping the residents of Wisconsin prevent, prepare for, and respond to, emergencies; and

Whereas, this is a special time to recognize and thank our Everyday Heroes—those who reach out to help people in need. American Red Cross heroes help disaster victims recover. They give blood to help a hospital patient. They brighten the day of an injured service member. They step forward to help someone having a heart attack; and

Whereas, we appreciate Everyday Heroes throughout Wisconsin who help people in need. They work tirelessly to assist their neighbors when they need a helping hand; and

Whereas, across the country and around the world, the American Red Cross responded to disasters. When an injured service member ended up in a hospital far from home, the American Red Cross offered comfort. When a hospital patient needed blood, American Red Cross blood donors helped them. When a lifeguard jumped in to save a drowning child or someone stepped up to help a heart attack victim, the American Red Cross was there; and

Whereas, we dedicate this month to all those who support the American Red Cross mission to prevent and alleviate human suffering in the face of emergencies. Our community depends on the American Red Cross, which relies on donations of time, money, and blood to fulfill its humanitarian mission; now, therefore, be it

*Resolved by the senate, the assembly concurring, That* the members of the Wisconsin legislature proclaim March 2015 as American Red Cross Month in Wisconsin and commend this observance to all residents; and, be it further

**Resolved, That** the members of the legislature call upon Wisconsin residents to become partners with the American Red Cross in emergency preparedness by learning how to respond to emergencies and by donating blood, time, and financial resources in support of the American Red Cross mission; and, be it further

**Resolved, That** the senate chief clerk shall provide a copy of this joint resolution to the American Red Cross.

Representative Robin J. Vos Speaker of the Assembly Senator Mary Lazich President of the Senate

Jeffrey Renk Senate Chief Clerk

Date