

2017 Senate Joint Resolution 30

ENROLLED JOINT RESOLUTION

Relating to: proclaiming May 2017 as Gold Star Awareness Month in Wisconsin.

Whereas, the term "Gold Star" began during World War I when American families displayed flags in homes, businesses, schools, and churches with a gold star for each loved one lost in military service; and

Whereas, today the United States of America recognizes the sacrifice that all Gold Star family members make when a father, mother, brother, sister, son, daughter, or other loved one dies in active service to the nation; and

Whereas, less than 1 percent of Americans serve in our military, and we have an obligation to acknowledge and honor the losses of our servicemen and servicewomen and ensure that their families are not forgotten; and

Whereas, during the month of May, we honor those who lost a family member who died while in active service in the United States Armed Forces; and

Whereas, during the month of May, we remember our commitment to Gold Star families, who carry on with pride and courage despite their tragic loss; now, therefore, be it

Resolved by the senate, the assembly concurring, That the members of the Wisconsin legislature hereby proclaim the month of May 2017, as Gold Star Awareness Month in Wisconsin; and, be it further

Resolved, That the members of the Wisconsin legislature express our sincere appreciation and recognition of Gold Star families for the ultimate sacrifice of their loved ones in defense of our great nation.

Representative Robin J. Vos Speaker of the Assembly	Senator Roger Roth President of the Senate
Date	Jeffrey Renk Senate Chief Clerk