

State of Misconsin 2013 - 2014 LEGISLATURE



2013 SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION 42

June 24, 2013 – Introduced by Senators Lassa, Carpenter, C. Larson, Lehman, T.
CULLEN, L. TAYLOR and HARRIS, cosponsored by Representatives SHANKLAND,
C. TAYLOR, BARNES, BALLWEG, BARCA, BERCEAU, BERNARD SCHABER, BERNIER,
DANOU, GENRICH, GOYKE, HEBL, HESSELBEIN, HULSEY, KAHL, KESSLER,
KLEEFISCH, MASON, MILROY, MURPHY, OHNSTAD, PETRYK, POPE, PRIDEMORE,
RINGHAND, SARGENT, SCHRAA, SINICKI, SMITH, VRUWINK and WRIGHT. Referred
to Committee on Senate Organization.

1	Relating to: designating December 14 as a day of remembrance for the victims of
2	the Sandy Hook school shootings.
3	Whereas, on December 14, 2012, a gunman broke into Sandy Hook Elementary
4	School in Newtown, Connecticut, and fatally shot 20 young elementary school
5	children and six adult school staff members; and
6	Whereas, this tragedy has caused the Newtown community, the families and
7	friends of the victims, and the entire country immeasurable grief for the senseless
8	loss of innocent children, and for the dedicated elementary school staff who died
9	protecting and shielding the children in their care; and
10	Whereas, Charlotte Bacon, age six, loved school and dresses; and
11	Whereas, Daniel Barden, age seven, loved to ride waves at the beach and make
12	s'mores around the bonfire with his cousins; and
13	Whereas, Rachel D'Avino, age 29, worked as a behavioral therapist with
14	children with special needs and loved karate, cooking, animals, photography, and her
15	two younger siblings; and

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1	Whereas, Olivia Engel, age six, loved school and the colors pink and purple; and
2	Whereas, Josephine Gay, age seven, liked to ride her bike and sell lemonade in
3	her neighborhood in the summer, and loved the color purple; and
4	Whereas, Dawn Lafferty Hochsprung, age 47, was the principal at Sandy Hook
5	Elementary School and was well-loved for her enduring kindness and commitment
6	to the children in her care; and
7	Whereas, Dylan Hockley, age six, loved to cuddle and play tag with neighbors
8	at the bus stop every morning; and
9	Whereas, Madeleine F. Hsu, age six, loved running and dancing; and
10	Whereas, Catherine V. Hubbard, age six, loved animals and will be remembered
11	for her smile; and
12	Whereas, Chase Kowalski, age seven, loved baseball and was an energetic Cub
13	Scout; and
14	Whereas, Jesse Lewis, age six, loved math, riding horses, and playing at his
15	mom's farm; and
16	Whereas, Ana Marquez–Greene, age six, was beautiful and vibrant; and
17	Whereas, James Mattioli, age six, loved to dive off the diving board, swim like
18	a fish, and ride his bike; and
19	Whereas, Grace McDonnell, age seven, loved art, the beach, and her brother
20	and wanted to be a painter; and
21	Whereas, Anne Marie Murphy, age 52, was a teacher at Sandy Hook
22	Elementary School who loved teaching children; and
23	Whereas, Emilie Parker, age six, was bright, creative, and loving; and
24	Whereas, Jack Pinto, age six, loved football, baseball, basketball, wrestling,
25	and snow skiing; and

1	Whereas, Noah Pozner, age six, loved playing with his cousins and siblings,
2	especially his twin sister, Arielle; and
3	Whereas, Caroline Previdi, age six, loved drawing, dancing, and the color pink;
4	and
5	Whereas, Jessica Rekos, age six, loved orca whales, playing with her two little
6	brothers, and everything about horses; and
7	Whereas, Avielle Richman, age six, was happiest when she was on a horse; and
8	Whereas, Lauren Rousseau, age 30, achieved her lifelong dream of being a
9	teacher; and
10	Whereas, Mary Sherlach, age 56, was a school psychologist who loved
11	gardening, reading, and going to the theater; and
12	Whereas, Victoria Soto, age 27, was a passionate, caring first-grade teacher
13	whose favorite holiday was Christmas; and
14	Whereas, Benjamin Wheeler, age six, loved the Beatles and wanted to be an
15	architect and a paleontologist; and
16	Whereas, Allison N. Wyatt, age six, loved to laugh and to draw, and wanted to
17	be an artist; now, therefore, be it
18	Resolved by the senate, the assembly concurring, That December 14 shall
19	be designated as a day of remembrance for the 20 children and six adult school staff
20	members who were killed at Sandy Hook Elementary School, for the grieving friends
21	and family of the victims, and for the community of Newtown, Connecticut.
22	(END)