## 2015 ASSEMBLY JOINT RESOLUTION 61

September 18, 2015 - Introduced by Representatives Bowen, Kolste, Young, Zamarripa, Hebl, Danou, Milroy, Goyke, Ripp, A. Ott, Jorgensen, Brostoff, Kessler, Ohnstad, Horlacher, Sinicki, Murphy, Mason, Wachs, Subeck, Petryk, SpreitZer and Thiesfeldt, cosponsored by Senators L. Taylor, Wirch, Risser and Olsen. Referred to Committee on Rules.

Relating to: proclaiming September 2015 as Prostate Cancer Awareness Month in Wisconsin.

Whereas, September is nationally recognized as Prostate Cancer Awareness Month; and

Whereas, the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention find that prostate cancer is the most common type of cancer among men in the United States and the second leading cause of cancer deaths in the United States; and

Whereas, prostate cancer takes the lives of more than 75 men in the United States every day; and

Whereas, ZERO, a national nonprofit organization with the mission to end prostate cancer, finds that prostate cancer affects African-American men at a rate disproportionate to the rest of the population, with 1 in 5 African-American men being diagnosed in their lifetime; and

Whereas, the American Cancer Society finds that African-American men suffer a prostate cancer mortality rate of more than double that of the rest of the population in the United States; and

Whereas, the American Cancer Society estimates there will be 220,800 new cases of prostate cancer in the United States in 2015; and

Whereas, ZERO estimates that 2.8 million American men currently live with prostate cancer; and

Whereas, education and early detection are the most effective tools to increase the odds of survival from this disease; now, therefore, be it

Resolved by the assembly, the senate concurring, That the Wisconsin state legislature hereby proclaims September 2015 as Prostate Cancer Awareness Month in Wisconsin.
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