

State of Misconsin 2017 - 2018 LEGISLATURE

## **2017 ASSEMBLY JOINT RESOLUTION 111**

February 20, 2018 - Introduced by Representatives KOOYENGA, STEINEKE and CROWLEY, cosponsored by Senators VUKMIR and L. TAYLOR. Referred to Committee on Rules.

\*\*\*AUTHORS SUBJECT TO CHANGE\*\*\*

1	Relating to: recognizing the Stop the Bleed campaign, establishing March 31, 2018,
2	as Wisconsin Trauma Awareness Day, and encouraging all Wisconsin citizens
3	to participate in the initiative and learn more about the importance of
4	bleeding-control measures.
5	Whereas, trauma is the leading cause of death in the United States for
6	individuals under age 44 and the fourth leading cause of death overall; and
7	Whereas, uncontrolled bleeding from traumatic injury is the most preventable
8	cause of death; and
9	Whereas, death from uncontrolled bleeding can happen in mere minutes, which
10	may be prior to the arrival of first responders; and
11	Whereas, bleeding control is best performed with use of pressure or tourniquets
12	within the initial moments of trauma, and anyone can be trained to act as an
13	immediate responder to stop a life-threatening hemorrhage; and
14	Whereas, military experience has proven that bleeding control techniques
15	result in reduced rates of death from a hemorrhage; and

1 Whereas, the Stop the Bleed campaign was created in the wake of the 2012 2 mass shooting at Sandy Hook Elementary School, and is a national awareness 3 campaign call to action intended to cultivate grassroots efforts that encourage 4 bystanders to become trained, equipped, and empowered to help in a bleeding 5 emergency before professional help arrives; and

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6 Whereas, providing Wisconsin citizens with the best chance of survival includes 7 educating them with the knowledge and skills to perform immediate bleeding control 8 and through equipping public places with bleeding control kits; now, therefore, be it

9 **Resolved by the assembly, the senate concurring, That** the Wisconsin 10 State Legislature hereby recognizes the Stop the Bleed campaign, establishes March 11 31, 2018, as Wisconsin Trauma Awareness Day, and encourages all Wisconsin 12 citizens to participate in the initiative and learn more about the importance of 13 bleeding-control measures.

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(END)