

State of Misconsin 2021 - 2022 LEGISLATURE

## **2021 ASSEMBLY JOINT RESOLUTION 3**

January 26, 2021 – Introduced by Representatives CABRAL-GUEVARA, ALLEN, BRANDTJEN, CALLAHAN, DITTRICH, DUCHOW, EDMING, GUNDRUM, KATSMA, KRUG, MAGNAFICI, MURPHY, RAMTHUN, J. RODRIGUEZ, ROZAR, THIESFELDT, TITL, TUSLER, VOS, TAUCHEN and KNODL, cosponsored by Senators STROEBEL, BRADLEY, JACQUE, NASS, TESTIN and WANGGAARD. Referred to Committee on Rules.

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

1	Relating to: declaring January 24 to 30, 2021, School Choice Week and recognizing
2	the importance of giving parents the choice in the educational path for their
3	children.
4	Whereas, the school choice program was first launched in Milwaukee in 1990
5	to offer low-income students the opportunity to pick their schools; and
6	Whereas, the Milwaukee Parental Choice Program was the first of its kind in
7	the United States and has since grown to educate more than 28,900 students in 129
8	schools; and
9	Whereas, if the Milwaukee Parental Choice Program was a school district, it
LO	would be the second largest in the state; and
11	Whereas, the Wisconsin Legislature expanded school choice to Racine in 2011,
12	statewide in 2013, and to the special needs scholarships in 2015; and
13	Whereas, the statewide and Racine programs educate more than 10,400
14	students in 239 schools; and

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10	their children.
9	recognizes the importance of giving parents the choice in the educational path for
8	Legislature hereby declares January 24 to 30, 2021, School Choice Week and
7	Resolved by the assembly, the senate concurring, That the Wisconsin
6	families; now, therefore, be it
5	Whereas, charter and virtual schools provide another educational option to
4	over 60,000 students statewide transferring school districts; and
3	Whereas, the largest school choice option in Wisconsin is open enrollment, with
2	regularly lauded as innovators in education; and
1	Whereas, choice schools see significant success in student achievement and are