

State of Misconsin 2019 - 2020 LEGISLATURE

2019 SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION 15

March 28, 2019 - Introduced by Senators Hansen, Schachtner, Carpenter, Bewley, Wirch, Miller, Shilling, Larson, Smith, Ringhand, Risser, L. TAYLOR, ERPENBACH and JOHNSON, cosponsored by Representatives Sinicki, Hebl, Anderson, Crowley, Stuck, Riemer, Stubbs, Myers, Zamarripa, Haywood, C. Taylor, Pope, Kolste, Considine, Goyke, Meyers, Shankland, Ohnstad, Sargent, Brostoff, Neubauer, Subeck, Vining, Bowen, Billings, Fields, Spreitzer, Hintz, Hesselbein, Emerson, Gruszynski, Milroy, Doyle, Cabrera and Vruwink. Referred to Committee on Senate Organization.

1	Relating to: observing Tuesday, April 2, 2019, as Equal Pay Day in Wisconsin.
2	Whereas, Equal Pay Day occurs each year on the day when a woman has finally
3	earned the same yearly salary as her male counterpart did the previous year; and
4	Whereas, since World War II, when Wisconsin women worked in factories and
5	shipyards, Wisconsin women have remained the most likely in the United States to
6	be in the paid workforce—ranking fifth among the states; and
7	Whereas, in 2016, about 1.4 million Wisconsin women were in the labor force
8	(across all sectors), and according to the U.S. Census Bureau, this represented over
9	47 percent of the civilian employed population 16 years and over; and
10	Whereas, 2019 marks 100 years since the passage of the Nineteenth
11	Amendment by Congress on June 4, 1919, which was one of the first steps in
12	providing equal rights to women; and
13	Whereas, working Wisconsin women truly contribute to a profoundly better
14	quality of life in our state by significantly raising the incomes of their families and
15	their communities; and

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7	Resolved by the senate, the assembly concurring, That the legislature
6	it
5	help greatly to maintain Wisconsin's overall high quality of life; now, therefore, be
4	Whereas, continued progress in narrowing the pay equity gap in Wisconsin will
3	on average 20 cents less per dollar; and
2	earned on average 29 cents less per dollar than men, and 2016, when women earned
1	Whereas, Wisconsin narrowed its pay equity gap between 2004, when women

- 8 recognizes Tuesday, April 2, 2019, as Equal Pay Day in Wisconsin.
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