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2015 SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION 92

February 9, 2016 - Introduced by Senators L. Taylor, C. Larson, Lassa, Vinehout and Harris Dodd, cosponsored by Representatives Berceau, Jorgensen, Kahl, Kessler, Mason, Ohnstad, Sinicki, Spreitzer, Subeck, Zepnick, Shankland and C. Taylor. Referred to Committee on Senate Organization.

AUTHORS SUBJECT TO CHANGE

1	Relating to: proclaiming October 2016 National Bullying Prevention Month in
2	Wisconsin.
3	Whereas, in 2015, the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services,
4	reported that one in three children say they have been bullied; and
5	Whereas, the dangers of bullying are numerous and have historically proven
6	to damage children in their self-esteem and feelings of self-worth; and
7	Whereas, children learn best in positive, healthy, and supportive learning
8	environments, and bullying takes away this important learning opportunity; and
9	Whereas, any child can be a victim of bullying, and, with the rise of technology,
10	victims can be harassed online and through text messaging; and
11	Whereas, bullying victims are two to nine times more likely to consider suicide
12	than nonvictims; preventing harassment can save lives and better schools; and
13	Whereas, 160,000 students stay home from school each day to avoid
14	harassment; and

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Whereas, the national community, speaking through the Pacer National Bullying Prevention Center, has recognized that bullying shall no longer be considered an accepted childhood rite of passage; and

Whereas, the legislature has an opportunity to respect the importance of safe schools for all students; now, therefore, be it

Resolved by the senate, the assembly concurring, That the legislature

hereby proclaims October 2016 as National Bullying Prevention Month in Wisconsin.

9 (END)