

State of Wisconsin



CITATION BY THE ASSEMBLY

KNOW YOU BY THESE PRESENTS:

WHEREAS, May 3, 2026, marks the 235th anniversary of the signing of the Polish Constitution of May 3, 1791, adopted by the Polish Parliament of the Polish-Lithuanian Commonwealth; and

WHEREAS, the May 3rd Constitution was Europe's first modern written constitution and the world's second, following the United States Constitution; and

WHEREAS, founded on the principle that governmental power derives from the people, it established a democratic system with a separation of executive, legislative, and judicial powers; and

WHEREAS, the Constitution introduced significant reforms, including a bicameral legislature, checks and balances, religious freedom, and expanded rights for oppressed groups; and

WHEREAS, the May 3rd Constitution has served as a lasting symbol of democracy, resilience, and the pursuit of liberty, inspiring future generations in Poland and beyond; now, therefore,

Representative Robert Wittke, on behalf of the Wisconsin State Assembly, under Assembly Rule 97, hereby recognizes May 3, 2026, as a day to honor the legacy of the May 3rd Constitution and encourages all citizens to reflect on its enduring contributions to freedom and democratic values.

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Representative Robert Wittke
63rd Assembly District

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Robin Vos", is written over a horizontal line.

Representative Robin Vos
Speaker of the Assembly

STATE CAPITOL
MADISON, WISCONSIN

May 3, 2026
Date

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Representative Kevin Petersen
Speaker Pro Tempore