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Trade Association Coalition Hails Passage of Legislative Measure Declaring April, 2015 “Forestry and Paper Products Month”

Assembly Joint Resolution 24 Passes State Assembly, Receiving Wide Bi-Partisan Support

Madison... A coalition of trade associations representing papermakers, forestry advocates and printers applauded the unanimous passage of Assembly Joint Resolution (AJR) 24 in the State Assembly today.

AJR 24 declares the month of April, 2015 as “**Forestry and Paper Products Month**”.

The coalition expressed appreciation for the strong bi-partisan support by legislators from both political parties and extended special thanks to **Representative Scott Krug** for sponsoring the legislation.

“We are pleased that the Wisconsin Legislature has recognized the importance of paper, forestry and printing to our state’s economy by passing this important Joint Resolution,” stated Jeff Landin, President of the Wisconsin Paper Council.

“Quad/Graphics thanks members of both parties for highlighting the importance of printing to our state’s economy and workforce,” added Pat Henderson, Government Affairs Director for Quad/Graphics.

“Declaring April, 2015 “Forestry and Paper Products Month” helps reinforce the important role that forest and paper products play in our economy and our environment,” said Henry Schienebeck, Executive Director of The Great Lakes Timber Producers Association.

“We appreciate the State Assembly’s passage of this important resolution which will serve as a positive reminder of our efforts to ensure long term health and sustainability of forest ecosystems throughout Wisconsin,” commented Jane Severt, Executive Director of the Wisconsin County Forests Association.

“This bi-partisan Joint Resolution highlights the positive impact and contributions that forest owners have upon our state’s economy and we thank the Assembly for this recognition,” stated Kristie Kasbohm, Executive Administrator of the Wisconsin Association of Forest Owners.

Together, Wisconsin’s forestry, papermaking and printing job creators employ over 78,000 men and women with good, family supporting jobs. In addition, our job creators contribute over \$226 million annually in tax payments to the State of Wisconsin.