

1999 ASSEMBLY JOINT RESOLUTION 7

January 12, 1999 – Introduced by Representatives HUEBSCH and BOCK. Referred to Calendar.

1 **Relating to:** the election of Robin Yount to the Baseball Hall of Fame.

2 Whereas, Robin Yount was born on September 16, 1955, in Danville, Illinois;
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4 Whereas, Robin Yount began his career at the age of 18, in 1974, with the
5 Milwaukee Brewers and was one of the youngest everyday starters ever in major
6 league baseball, earning him the nickname “The Kid”; and

7 Whereas, Robin Yount was drafted by the Milwaukee Brewers in the first round
8 of the 1973 free-agent draft, beginning a career with the Brewers that would
9 encompass 20 years and countless thrills; and

10 Whereas, Robin Yount was named the American League’s Most Valuable Player
11 (MVP) in 1982 and 1989; and

12 Whereas, Robin Yount joined immortals Stan Musial and Hank Greenberg as
13 the only players to win the MVP award at two different positions: shortstop in 1982
14 and center field in 1989; and

15 Whereas, Robin Yount led the Brewers to the World Series in 1982; and

1 Whereas, Robin Yount was elected to the American League All-Star Team in
2 1980, 1982 and 1983; and

3 Whereas, Robin Yount was nicknamed “Rockin’ Robin” and was the third-
4 youngest player to reach both the 2,000-hit and 3,000-hit marks, and was just the
5 17th player in the history of baseball to reach 3,000 hits at the time; and

6 Whereas, Robin Yount personified Brewers baseball for 20 years, finishing as
7 the career team leader in virtually every offensive category, including games played,
8 at bats, hits, runs, singles, doubles, triples, home runs, runs batted in, and stolen
9 bases; and

10 Whereas, Robin Yount was a humble man of the people who was loved in the
11 Milwaukee area and throughout Wisconsin; and

12 Whereas, Robin Yount has always been a shining example of sportsmanship,
13 unrelenting competitiveness and professionalism; and

14 Whereas, Robin Yount played the game of baseball for the love of the game and
15 not for the pursuit of personal goals; and

16 Whereas, Robin Yount joined Henry Aaron and Rollie Fingers as the only
17 Brewers to have their numbers retired; and

18 Whereas, Robin Yount joins Nolan Ryan and George Brett in the largest class
19 of rookie inductees into the Baseball Hall of Fame since the original class of 1936 that
20 consisted of Babe Ruth, Ty Cobb, Walter Johnson, Honus Wagner and Christy
21 Mathewson; and

22 Whereas, Robin Yount received the honor of election to the Baseball Hall of
23 Fame in his first year of eligibility, and will be the first Hall of Famer to represent
24 the Milwaukee Brewers; now, therefore, be it

1 ***Resolved, by the assembly, the senate concurring, That*** the members of the
2 Wisconsin legislature commend Robin Yount for his stellar career and his
3 well-deserved election to the Baseball Hall of Fame; and, be it further

4 ***Resolved, That*** the assembly chief clerk shall provide copies of this joint
5 resolution to Robin Yount, who, in our hearts, shall remain forever “19”.

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