

1999 SENATE RESOLUTION 3

1 **Relating to:** commending Jim Irwin and Max McGee on their retirement.

2 Whereas, Green Bay Packers broadcasters Jim Irwin and Max McGee recently
3 broadcast their final Packer game after 20 years of service as the voices of the Green
4 Bay Packers; and

5 Whereas, the names “Jim and Max” are synonymous with Packer football in the
6 state of Wisconsin; and

7 Whereas, the names of Jim Irwin and Max McGee have joined names like Bart
8 Starr, Vince Lombardi, Eric Heiden and Bob Johnson in earning a positive and
9 memorable place in Wisconsin sports history; and

10 Whereas, no other broadcast team in the National Football League has called
11 as many games as Jim and Max; and

12 Whereas, the unique talent of Jim Irwin and Max McGee in calling a great game
13 while at the same time providing pure entertainment will be missed by Packer fans
14 across the nation; and

1 Whereas, Jim Irwin served with the United States Army in Korea and
2 graduated from the University of Missouri prior to beginning his 34 years of covering
3 Wisconsin sports teams; and

4 Whereas, in addition to 30 years as the voice of the Green Bay Packers, Jim
5 Irwin called Wisconsin Badger football for 22 years and Milwaukee Bucks basketball
6 for 14 seasons; and

7 Whereas, Jim Irwin has been named Wisconsin Sports Announcer of the Year
8 for a record-setting 10 times and was elected to the Wisconsin Broadcasting Hall of
9 Fame in 1994; and

10 Whereas, Max McGee graduated from Tulane University and served as a pilot
11 in the United States Air Force for 2 years prior to beginning his professional career
12 with the Green Bay Packers; and

13 Whereas, Max McGee became one of Vince Lombardi's premier wide receivers
14 over his 10-year career, including 2 touchdown receptions in Super Bowl I; and

15 Whereas, Max McGee and his wife, Denise, have put their hearts and souls into
16 ensuring a better life and brighter future for children who have diabetes through the
17 Maxi Fund for Juvenile Diabetes Research; now, therefore, be it

18 ***Resolved by the senate, That*** the senate of the state of Wisconsin commends
19 Jim Irwin and Max McGee on their careers, accomplishments and contribution to
20 Wisconsin sports and wishes them the very best upon their retirement; and, be it
21 further

22 ***Resolved, That*** the senate chief clerk shall provide copies of this resolution to
23 Jim Irwin and Max McGee.

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