

1999 Senate Resolution 3

## **ENGROSSED RESOLUTION**

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

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

Whereas, the names "Jim and Max" are synonymous with Packer football in the state of Wisconsin; and

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

State Capitol Madison, Wisconsin	Senator Fred A. Risser President of the Senate
Date	Donald J. Schneider Senate Chief Clerk