

## 2003 SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION 27

March 18, 2003 – Introduced by Senators DARLING, GEORGE, PANZER, KANAVAS, ERPENBACH, BROWN, SCHULTZ, KEDZIE and COWLES, cosponsored by Representatives RICHARDS, LADWIG, YOUNG, UNDERHEIM, LOTHIAN, COGGS, GUNDERSON, STASKUNAS, M. LEHMAN, KRUG, VRUWINK, RHOADES, VAN ROY, BIES, HINES, STONE, JESKEWITZ, J. LEHMAN, VRAKAS, HAHN, MCCORMICK, GIELOW and ALBERS. Referred to Committee on Senate Organization.

1     **Relating to:** congratulating and commending the University of  
2           Wisconsin–Milwaukee Men’s Basketball Team and Head Coach Bruce Pearl on  
3           earning their first NCAA Division I Tournament appearance.

4           Whereas, the University of Wisconsin–Milwaukee Panthers, under the  
5           direction of Head Coach Bruce Pearl, earned a spot in the NCAA Division I  
6           Tournament for the first time in the 107–year history of the basketball program; and

7           Whereas, the Panthers finished the regular season with a record of 24–7,  
8           claiming a 2nd place finish in the Horizon League and ending at 13–3 in conference  
9           play, capping their best Division I record in school history; and

10          Whereas, with the leadership, dedication, and ambition of a head coach in his  
11          2nd year at the University of Wisconsin–Milwaukee, the Panthers’ 24 victories this  
12          season tie a school record for wins in a single season; and

13          Whereas, the spectacular victory on their home court over the Butler Bulldogs,  
14          in front of 10,115 fans, the largest home crowd in University of

