2007 SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION 38

April 16, 2007 – Introduced by Senator Hansen, cosponsored by Representatives Soletski and Nygren. Referred to Committee on Senate Organization.

Relating to: honoring the UW-Green Bay women's basketball team.

Whereas, the UW-Green Bay women's basketball team, the Phoenix, posted a perfect 16–0 record in the Horizon League, which hasn't been done in 18 years and defeated Butler 91–64 in the championship game of the Horizon League women's basketball tournament to extend its school-record winning streak to 25 games; and Whereas, senior forward Nicole Soulis became the first player in 17 seasons to earn back-to-back Horizon League Player of the Year honors, also earned a spot on the Horizon League all-defensive team, and has been named a finalist for the 2007 Kodak Women's Basketball Coaches Association All-America Basketball Team; and Whereas, senior guard Natalie Berglin also made the Horizon League first-team by averaging 11.2 points per game in league play and leading the league in both assist-turnover ratio (2.88) and assists per game (4.55), and junior guard Kayla Groh joined Nicole Soulis on the league's all-defensive team and also led the conference in free throw percentage at .886; and

Whereas, the Phoenix as a team led the Horizon League in 11 major statistical categories including scoring offense, scoring defense, free throw percentage, field goal percentage, and assists; and

Whereas, Coach Kevin Borseth was named Horizon League Coach of the Year for the 7th time in 9 seasons after the Phoenix clinched their 9th straight Horizon League regular season title, and Borseth continues to lead the league in overall regular season Horizon League victories with 125; and

Whereas, the Phoenix headed to the NCAA Tournament for the 8th time in the last 10 seasons and earned the number 9 seed in the Fresno regional, where they defeated number 8 seed New Mexico 59–52 in the first round, and went on to face number 1 seed University of Connecticut; and

Whereas, the Phoenix gave the University of Connecticut an incredible fight and even led at halftime before falling in their NCAA tournament 2nd round game; now, therefore, be it

Resolved by the senate, the assembly concurring, That the legislature of the state of Wisconsin recognizes and salutes the 2006–2007 University of Wisconsin–Green Bay women's basketball team and Head Coach Kevin Borseth on a record–setting regular season and remarkable NCAA tournament run; and, be it further

Resolved, That the senate chief clerk shall provide copies of this joint resolution to Head Coach Kevin Borseth, his staff, each member of the team, and Athletic Director Ken Bothof.

23 (END)