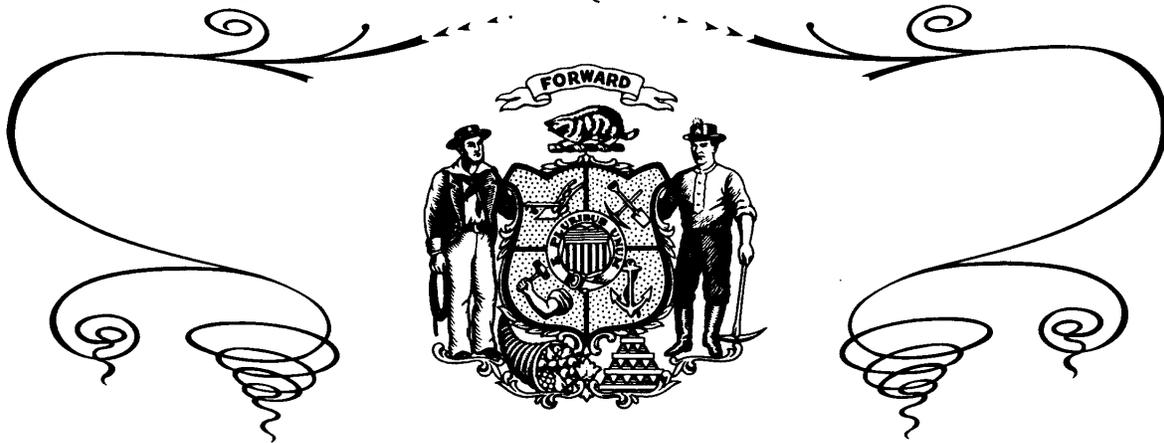


# State of Wisconsin



2007 Senate Resolution 27

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## ENGROSSED RESOLUTION

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**Relating to:** commending the career and accomplishments of Mr. Billy Bruton.

Whereas, Mr. William Hall "Bullet Bill" Bruton began his major league baseball career the same year the Braves moved from Boston to Milwaukee, starring in center field from 1953 to 1960; and

Whereas, Mr. Billy Bruton became an immediate hero in Milwaukee when he hit a tenth inning home run to clinch the season opening win against St. Louis, the first of 94 career home runs; and

Whereas, Mr. Billy Bruton played with such notable stars as Joe Adcock, Eddie Matthews, Warren Spahn, and Hank Aaron but was a star in his own right with a career batting average of .273 and as the league leader in stolen bases three consecutive seasons; and

Whereas, Mr. Billy Bruton was injured for the 1957 World Series which the Milwaukee Braves won, but led the 1958 World Series with a .412 batting average, making him one of the most beloved Milwaukee Braves; and

Whereas, the adoption of this senate resolution is supported not only by the senate, but also by members of the assembly, including specifically Representatives Young, Grigsby, Turner, Zepnick, Sheridan, and Toles; now, therefore, be it

*Resolved by the senate, That* the senate of the state of Wisconsin honors Mr. Billy Bruton for being a hero to the fans of the Milwaukee Braves and celebrates the career and accomplishments of one of the first, and one of the best, African-American major league baseball players.

State Capitol  
Madison, Wisconsin

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Senator Fred A. Risser  
President of the Senate

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Date

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Robert J. Marchant  
Senate Chief Clerk