



2009 ASSEMBLY JOINT RESOLUTION 131

April 20, 2010 – Introduced by Representatives BLACK and HEBL, cosponsored by Senator RISSER. Referred to Committee on Rules.

1 **Relating to:** commending student–athletes, coaches, and administrators at the
2 University of Wisconsin–Madison.

3 Whereas, student–athletes from the University of Wisconsin (UW)–Madison
4 enjoyed numerous successes in many sports during the 2009–2010 academic year;
5 and

6 Whereas, the Badger football team under the direction of Bret Bielema finished
7 the regular season with a 9–3 record capped off by a Champs Sport Bowl victory
8 against the University of Miami. The season was also highlighted with the naming
9 of Racine–native sophomore running back John Clay as the consensus 2010 Big Ten
10 Offensive Player of the Year; and

11 Whereas, the men’s basketball team coached by Bo Ryan finished the regular
12 season with a record of 23–8 and made the NCAA tournament for the 12th straight
13 year; and

14 Whereas, the women’s basketball team led by head coach Lisa Stone finished
15 the regular season with a record of 20–9, marking only the eighth 20–win season in

1 UW women’s basketball history. Stone guided the team to its first NCAA tournament
2 appearance since 2002; and

3 Whereas, women’s hockey coach Mark Johnson led the U.S. Women’s National
4 Team at the Vancouver Winter Olympics to a silver medal. The team included seven
5 current or former Badgers, including Jessie Vetter, the Cottage Grove, Wisconsin,
6 native who won the 2009 Patty Kazmaier Memorial Award; and

7 Whereas, the men’s hockey team led by head coach Mike Eaves finished off a
8 phenomenal regular season with a record of 22–9–4 that propelled the team to the
9 NCAA Frozen Four and the National Championship game and the first–ever Badger
10 hockey student athlete Hobey Baker Memorial Award winner Blake Geoffrion; and

11 Whereas, Badger wrestling head coach Barry Davis led the team to one of the
12 most successful seasons in team history. Davis was named the 2010 National Coach
13 of the Year and the Badgers placed fourth at the NCAA Championships with 70.5
14 points, tying for the best finish in school history. The team featured four
15 all–Americans including sophomore Andrew Howe who won a national title in his
16 weight class; now, therefore, be it

17 ***Resolved by the assembly, the senate concurring, That*** the Wisconsin
18 legislature honors all of the University of Wisconsin student–athletes, coaches, and
19 administrators for all of the hard work and dedication that went into the athletic
20 successes this season.

21 (END)