

2011 Senate Joint Resolution 27

ENROLLED JOINT RESOLUTION

Relating to: commending the University of Wisconsin–Madison men's basketball team.

Whereas, during the 2010–2011 season, the University of Wisconsin–Madison men's basketball team earned their seventeenth appearance in the NCAA Tournament, their thirteenth straight and tenth consecutive under coach Bo Ryan; and

Whereas, the Badger men's team compiled a 25–9 overall record, taking third place and going 13–5 in the Big Ten on the way to earning a number four seed in the NCAA Tournament, where they defeated highly regarded squads from Belmont University and Kansas State University and made their fifth Sweet Sixteen appearance since 2000, losing narrowly to the eventual national runner–up, Butler; and

Whereas, the UW men's basketball team, under the expert guidance of Bo Ryan and his assistant coaches, affirmed their reputation for selfless teamwork, outstanding team defense, and solid fundamental basketball, and won the title of national team free throw percentage leader for the 2010–11 season with a mark of 81.8 percent; and

Whereas, the University of Wisconsin–Madison became the second college athletics program to defeat an Associated Press number one nationally ranked team in both men's football and men's basketball in the same academic year, by virtue of its victories over Ohio State in both sports; and

Whereas, the Badgers' Jordan Taylor was a consensus choice for the 2011 All–Big Ten First Team with a nation–leading 4.26 assist–to–turnover ratio, a ranking of third in the Big Ten with 20.1 points per game, and a ranking of fifth in the Big Ten with 4.8 assists per game, and he is the only player to rank in the conference's top five for both scoring and assists; and

Whereas, Jordan Taylor was named as one of the five finalists for the Bob Cousy Award for the nation's top point guard, and he was selected for the 2011 Big Ten All–Defensive Team and the 2011 First Team All American by numerous publications; and

Whereas, the Badgers' Jon Leuer was named to the 2011 All–Big Ten First Team, with an average of 18.3 points per game and 7.2 rebounds per game, and he has been named the Big Ten Player of the Week three times; now, therefore, be it

Resolved by the senate, the assembly concurring, That the Wisconsin Legislature commends the UW–Madison men's basketball program on an outstanding 2010–11 season and the tradition of excellence they have achieved.

Representative Jeff Fitzgerald Speaker of the Assembly	Senator Michael G. Ellis President of the Senate
Date	Robert J. Marchant Senate Chief Clerk