



## 1999 ASSEMBLY JOINT RESOLUTION 122

March 29, 2000 - Introduced by Representatives BLACK, WARD, YOUNG, HUBER, BOYLE, SCHOOFF, URBAN, LADWIG, RHOADES, HAHN, BOCK, AINSWORTH, HEBL, KLUSMAN, WALKER, JENSEN, UNDERHEIM, HUTCHISON, BERCEAU, STONE, KREIBICH, BRANDEMUEHL, OTT, MILLER, TURNER and PLOUFF, cosponsored by Senators RISSER, ERPENBACH, GROBSCHMIDT, FARROW, GEORGE, HUELSMAN and RUDE. Referred to Committee on Rules.

1       **Relating to:** commending and congratulating Chancellor David Ward for his  
2           contribution to the University of Wisconsin-Madison and the state of  
3           Wisconsin.

4           Whereas, on January 1, 2001, David Ward will step down as the University of  
5           Wisconsin-Madison chancellor; and

6           Whereas, David Ward will have served the faculty, staff and students of the  
7           university, as well as the citizens of this state, as chancellor since June 1993, the  
8           longest tenure of any current leader of a Big 10 university; and

9           Whereas, he has devoted nearly 40 years of service to the University of  
10          Wisconsin-Madison; and

11          Whereas, under David Ward's leadership, the university has substantially  
12          improved undergraduate education through improved advising, stronger core  
13          curriculum, and expanded research opportunities for students; and

1           Whereas, he created and implemented the university’s innovative  
2 interdisciplinary teaching and research initiative, known as the “cluster hiring  
3 program”, which will bring 150 new faculty to the campus by 2003; and

4           Whereas, he spearheaded the successful public–private partnerships between  
5 the state of Wisconsin and the university’s alumni and donors for the campus’ capital  
6 budgets, which have resulted in 57 construction projects on campus for research and  
7 instruction, including new buildings such as the Kohl Center, the Biotechnology  
8 Center, and the Pharmacy and Chemistry buildings; and

9           Whereas, he created a similar partnership for the operating budget, the  
10 Madison Initiative, a \$97,000,000 investment that will enable University of  
11 Wisconsin–Madison to continue to provide students an outstanding education and  
12 to help Wisconsin maintain its competitiveness in the global economy; and

13           Whereas, during his tenure, the university raised \$740,000,000 in private  
14 funds, placing the University of Wisconsin–Madison number 1 in private support  
15 among public universities; and

16           Whereas, he created the Technology Transfer Council to help promote and steer  
17 the commercial potential of the University of Wisconsin–Madison research  
18 discoveries; and

19           Whereas, he shepherded the rapid growth of the nationally recognized  
20 University Research Park, which houses 68 companies that collectively employ more  
21 than 2,600 people; and

22           Whereas, he has reinvigorated the “Wisconsin Idea” by renewing the  
23 university’s commitment to sharing the resources of the university with the state and  
24 the nation; and

1           Whereas, during his tenure, the football team won back-to-back Rose Bowls,  
2           an unprecedented feat in the Big 10, and other men's and women's athletic teams  
3           have enjoyed unparalleled success; now, therefore, be it

4           ***Resolved by the assembly, the senate concurring, That*** the Wisconsin  
5           legislature commends and congratulates Chancellor David Ward for his contribution  
6           to the University of Wisconsin-Madison and to the state of Wisconsin; and, be it  
7           further

8           ***Resolved, That*** the assembly chief clerk shall provide copies of this joint  
9           resolution to Chancellor Ward.

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**(END)**