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2019 SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION 61

August 22, 2019 - Introduced by Senators Hansen, Bewley, Carpenter, Darling, Erpenbach, Johnson, Larson, Miller, Ringhand, Risser, Schachtner, Shilling, Smith, L. Taylor and Wirch, cosponsored by Representatives Sinicki, Zamarripa, Neubauer, Bowen, Cabrera, Considine, Crowley, Doyle, Emerson, Fields, Gruszynski, Haywood, Hebl, Hesselbein, Hintz, Kolste, McGuire, B. Meyers, Milroy, Mursau, L. Myers, Ohnstad, Pope, Riemer, Sargent, Shankland, Spreitzer, Stubbs, Subeck, C. Taylor, Tusler, Vorpagel, Vruwink and Brostoff. Referred to Committee on Senate Organization.

Relating to: congratulating the United States Women's National Team on their 1 2 FIFA Women's World Cup win. Whereas, on July 7, 2019, the United States Women's National Team (USWNT) 3 won the FIFA Women's World Cup in Lyon, France, with a final of score of 2-0 against 4 5 the Netherlands; and 6 Whereas, University of Wisconsin Badgers alum and midfielder, Rose Lavelle, scored the game-clinching final goal, after forward Megan Rapinoe scored the first 7 8 with a penalty shot, both in the second half; and 9 Whereas, coach Jill Ellis led the USWNT to its second consecutive and record 10 fourth overall FIFA Women's World Cup title; and Whereas, every 2019 USWNT Women's World Cup match in Lyon was sold out 11 before the tournament began; and 12 13 Whereas, the USWNT has a level of support unrivaled in women's sports, with

a following of tens of thousands of fans all over the world; and

Whereas, Megan Rapinoe was awarded the 2019 "Golden Ball" and Rose Lavelle was awarded the 2019 "Bronze Ball," awards presented to the best player and second runner-up to best player, respectively, in each FIFA Women's World Cup tournament; and

Whereas, Megan Rapinoe was awarded the 2019 "Golden Boot" and Alex Morgan was awarded the 2019 "Silver Boot," awards presented to the highest scoring player and second highest scoring player, respectively, in each FIFA Women's World Cup tournament; and

Whereas, the talent, success, and world dominance of the USWNT are the result of the example and inspiration to women and girls to play world-class soccer set by the "99ers" (the 1999 U.S. Women's World Cup Championship team), in the United States; and

Whereas, the 1999 and 2019 teams are important examples and beneficiaries of the impact of federal Title IX of the Education Amendments of 1972, the incremental closing of the gender gap, and the rise of professional women athletes in the United States; and

Whereas, the USWNT's fight for pay equality is the latest important step in U.S. women athletes' ongoing, slow, yet relentless fight towards gender equality; now, therefore, be it

Resolved by the senate, the assembly concurring, That the Wisconsin Legislature hereby commends and congratulates the players, coaches, and other staff members of the United States Women's National Team on their 2019 Women's World Cup win and wishes them well in their efforts for equal pay and gender equality.