



2025 ASSEMBLY JOINT RESOLUTION 85

August 29, 2025 - Introduced by Representatives BROWN, ARNEY, DESMIDT, EMERSON, FITZGERALD, JOHNSON, MCCARVILLE, MIRESE, MURPHY, MURSAU, PRADO, ROE, SHEEHAN, SINICKI, STROUD, STUBBS, TENORIO and UDELL, cosponsored by Senators SPREITZER, CABRAL-GUEVARA, DRAKE, HESSELBEIN, LARSON, MARKLEIN, RATCLIFF and ROYS. Referred to Committee on Rules.

1 **Relating to:** congratulating the University of Wisconsin-Whitewater Baseball
2 Team on winning the 2025 NCAA Division III National Championship.

3 Whereas, the University of Wisconsin-Whitewater Baseball Team won a
4 record-breaking third title after securing the 2025 NCAA Division III National
5 Championship on June 4, 2025; and

6 Whereas, after a historic tournament run, the UW-Whitewater Baseball Team
7 defeated Messiah University 21-5 in a best-of-three series, which the team swept,
8 setting a new DIII record with 74 runs scored over the course of the tournament
9 and finishing the season with 49 wins and 6 losses—the most in program history;
10 and

11 Whereas, the Warhawks scored double-digit runs in four out of five of the
12 College World Series tournament games in the 2025 season; and

13 Whereas, during the final game, Junior Andy Thies hit a three-run home run
14 in the top of the first inning, Sophomore Aaron Holland hit an RBI single to the left

1 in the top of the second inning, and Senior Darryl Jackson hit a single at the top of
2 the fourth inning; and

3 Whereas, Senior Matt Scola registered his 300th career hit on a two-run
4 home run in the sixth inning; and

5 Whereas, Junior Cade Hansen pitched 5.1 innings, struck out four, issued no
6 walks, and allowed only two runs on three hits; and

7 Whereas, Senior Adam Cootway was named Most Outstanding Player of the
8 tournament, was responsible for 18 Warhawk runs, hit four home runs over the
9 course of the tournament, and set multiple records in the eight-team College World
10 Series with 12 runs, 34 total bases, and two triples; and

11 Whereas, the team was led by 2025 DIII Baseball All-Tournament Team
12 members Senior Adam Cootway, Senior Eli Frank, Junior Andy Thies, Junior
13 Danny Hopper, Senior Sam Paden, Senior Matt Scola, Junior Cade Hansen, and
14 Sophomore Ben Lee, who were joined by teammates Senior Charlie Bogue, Junior
15 Brandon Brust, Junior Sava Dupor, Junior Logan Eisenbarth, Junior Reese
16 Fetherston, Sophomore Jack Hagen, Sophomore George Hansen, Sophomore Wyatt
17 Hansen, Freshman Maddux Hibbard, Sophomore Aaron Holland, Sophomore Cade
18 Honkamp, Senior Max Huseboe, Senior Darryl Jackson, Junior Wyatt Jensen,
19 Sophomore Jackson Koenig, Sophomore Brady Malkow, Sophomore Dominik
20 McVay, Senior Alex Najera, Freshman Evan Olson, Junior Cooper Pease, Freshman
21 Brett Sommer, Freshman Jackson Spring, Sophomore Jack Taczy, Freshman
22 Hudson Turner, Junior Austin Wessel, Sophomore Ethan Wickman, and Junior
23 Ryne Willard; and

24 Whereas, the team was managed by dedicated coaches and staff, led by Head

1 Coach John Vodenlich in his 22nd season with UW-Whitewater, Assistant Coach
2 Zach Bayreuther in his second season with UW-Whitewater, Assistant Coach
3 Peyton Schneider in his second season with UW-Whitewater, Assistant Coach
4 Armando Hernandez in his 28th season with UW-Whitewater, Assistant Coach
5 Tom Klawitter in his ninth season with UW-Whitewater, Assistant Coach Mark
6 Fuller in his 12th season with UW-Whitewater, Director of Baseball Operations
7 Sam Martin in his second season with UW-Whitewater, Athletic Trainer Kelly
8 Loudon in her second season with UW-Whitewater, and Director of Sports
9 Performance Lee Munger in his 20th season with UW-Whitewater; and

10 Whereas, Head Coach John Vodenlich celebrated his 800th career win this
11 season, and the team has not finished with a losing record since he took over the
12 program in 2004; and

13 Whereas, 2025 was the 10th College World Series appearance in program
14 history and the third NCAA DIII National Championship win for the UW-
15 Whitewater Baseball program, with prior wins in 2005 and 2014; and

16 Whereas, the UW-Whitewater community and our state take pride in the
17 integrity, leadership, and excellence the team has demonstrated during this
18 historic season; now, therefore, be it

19 ***Resolved by the assembly, the senate concurring, That*** the members of
20 the Wisconsin State Legislature do hereby congratulate and commend the
21 University of Wisconsin-Whitewater Baseball Team, coaching staff, and athletic
22 department on winning the 2025 NCAA Division III National Championship title

1 and wish the student-athletes, coaches, and staff continued success on and off the
2 field.

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