



State of Wisconsin  
1999 - 2000 LEGISLATURE

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## 1999 ASSEMBLY JOINT RESOLUTION 5

January 12, 1999 - Introduced by Representatives SCHNEIDER, MUSSER, ZIEGELBAUER, BLACK, STASKUNAS, AINSWORTH, KREUSER, BERCEAU, LASSA and RYBA, cosponsored by Senators SCHULTZ, COWLES and GEORGE. Referred to Committee on Small Business and Economic Development.

1     **Relating to:** memorializing Congress to pass legislation requiring professional  
2             sports leagues to permit community ownership of their franchises.

3             Whereas, professional sports leagues set conditions on the ownership of their  
4 franchises; and

5             Whereas, the leagues may forbid community ownership of franchises and some  
6 leagues have done so; and

7             Whereas, the Green Bay Packers, a community-owned franchise, have  
8 conclusively demonstrated the advantages of that kind of ownership, including  
9 abolition of the possibility of moving the franchise and of the possibility of operating  
10 the franchise in ways that harm the community; and

11             Whereas, the Packers have also demonstrated that community-owned teams  
12 can be financially robust and highly successful on the playing field; now, therefore,  
13 be it

