



## 2015 ASSEMBLY JOINT RESOLUTION 7

February 2, 2015 - Introduced by Representatives OHNSTAD, BARCA, ALLEN, BALLWEG, BERCEAU, BERNIER, BOWEN, BROSTOFF, CONSIDINE, DANOU, GENRICH, GOYKE, HEBL, HINTZ, HUTTON, JACQUE, JAGLER, JORGENSEN, KAHL, KERKMAN, KESSLER, KNODL, KOLSTE, MEYERS, MILROY, MURPHY, MURSAU, MURTHA, NOVAK, A. OTT, PETRYK, RIPP, ROHRKASTE, SARGENT, SHANKLAND, SPIROS, SPREITZER, STEFFEN, STUCK, SUBECK, C. TAYLOR, THIESFELDT, TITTL, WACHS, YOUNG, ZAMARRIPA and ZEPNICK, cosponsored by Senators WIRCH, BEWLEY, ERPENBACH, HANSEN, HARS DORF, C. LARSON, LASEE, LASSA, MARKLEIN, OLSEN, RINGHAND, RISSER, VINEHOUT and WANGGAARD. Referred to Committee on Rules.

1     **Relating to:** congratulating Melvin Gordon III on his remarkable college football  
2             career with the University of Wisconsin–Madison Badgers.

3             Whereas, Melvin Gordon III was born and raised in Kenosha, Wisconsin, and  
4             graduated from Bradford High School; and

5             Whereas, Melvin Gordon III had a standout senior year at Bradford, rushing  
6             2,009 yards and scoring 38 touchdowns on only 158 carries, an average of 12.7 yards  
7             per attempt; and

8             Whereas, Melvin Gordon III was so successful at Bradford High School that he  
9             received a football scholarship to attend the University of Wisconsin–Madison; and

10            Whereas, Melvin Gordon III continues to maintain strong ties to Kenosha by  
11            visiting Bradford High School to work with and inspire current students and  
12            student–athletes; and

13            Whereas, Melvin Gordon III is known for his incredible work ethic and  
14            dedication to training, particularly in the form of middle–of–the–night workouts;  
15            and

1           Whereas, Melvin Gordon III is the fastest college football player in history to  
2 reach 2,000 yards, doing it in just 241 carries; and

3           Whereas, Melvin Gordon III set a new NCAA single-game rushing record,  
4 rushing 408 yards in 25 carries in just three quarters of play for UW–Madison versus  
5 Nebraska on November 15, 2014; and

6           Whereas, Melvin Gordon III finished the 2014 season with 2,587 yards and 29  
7 touchdowns; and

8           Whereas, Melvin Gordon III has received numerous awards, including being  
9 named first-team All-American, Big Ten Offensive Player of the Year, Big Ten  
10 Running Back of the Year, and First Team All-Big Ten; and

11           Whereas, Melvin Gordon III was a 2014 Heisman Trophy finalist, finishing  
12 second in votes to receive the prestigious award; and

13           Whereas, Melvin Gordon III received the Doak Walker Award, given to the  
14 nation’s top running back; now, therefore, be it

15           ***Resolved by the assembly, the senate concurring, That*** the Wisconsin  
16 legislature salutes Melvin Gordon III on his remarkable college football career with  
17 the University of Wisconsin–Madison Badgers and wishes him the best of luck in his  
18 future in professional football; and, be it further

19           ***Resolved, That*** the Assembly Chief Clerk shall provide a copy of this joint  
20 resolution to Melvin Gordon III.

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(END)