

State of Misconsin 1999 - 2000 LEGISLATURE

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

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Resolved by the assembly, the senate concurring, That the members of the Wisconsin legislature urge Congress to enact legislation to require all professional sports leagues to allow community-owned franchises; and, be it further Resolved, That the assembly chief clerk shall provide a copy of this joint

- 5 resolution to each member of this state's congressional delegation.
 - (END)