



2019 ASSEMBLY JOINT RESOLUTION 80

August 28, 2019 - Introduced 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, cosponsored by Senators HANSEN, BEWLEY, CARPENTER, DARLING, ERPENBACH, JOHNSON, LARSON, MILLER, RINGHAND, RISSER, SCHACHTNER, SHILLING, SMITH, L. TAYLOR and WIRCH. Referred to Committee on Rules.

1 **Relating to:** congratulating the United States Women's National Team on their
2 FIFA Women's World Cup win.

3 Whereas, on July 7, 2019, the United States Women's National Team (USWNT)
4 won the FIFA Women's World Cup in Lyon, France, with a final of score of 2-0 against
5 the Netherlands; and

6 Whereas, University of Wisconsin Badgers alum and midfielder, Rose Lavelle,
7 scored the game-clinching final goal, after forward Megan Rapinoe scored the first
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

11 Whereas, every 2019 USWNT Women's World Cup match in Lyon was sold out
12 before the tournament began; and

13 Whereas, the USWNT has a level of support unrivaled in women's sports, with
14 a following of tens of thousands of fans all over the world; and

1 Whereas, Megan Rapinoe was awarded the 2019 “Golden Ball” and Rose
2 Lavelle was awarded the 2019 “Bronze Ball,” awards presented to the best player
3 and second runner-up to best player, respectively, in each FIFA Women’s World Cup
4 tournament; and

5 Whereas, Megan Rapinoe was awarded the 2019 “Golden Boot” and Alex
6 Morgan was awarded the 2019 “Silver Boot,” awards presented to the highest scoring
7 player and second highest scoring player, respectively, in each FIFA Women’s World
8 Cup tournament; and

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

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

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

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

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