



2021 ASSEMBLY JOINT RESOLUTION 84

October 14, 2021 - Introduced by Representatives PRONSCHINSKE, ALLEN, CONSIDINE, DALLMAN, DITTRICH, DRAKE, EDMING, GUNDRUM, HESSELBEIN, HINTZ, HORLACHER, KNODL, KRUG, KUGLITSCH, MCGUIRE, MILROY, MURSAU, PENTERMAN, PETRYK, PLUMER, RIEMER, SCHRAA, SINICKI, SPIROS, SPREITZER, STEFFEN, STEINEKE, SUBECK, THIESFELDT, TITTL, TRANEL, TUSLER and VRUWINK, cosponsored by Senators ROTH, CARPENTER, JACQUE, JAGLER, LARSON, MARKLEIN, NASS, RINGHAND, WIRCH and DARLING. Referred to Committee on Rules.

1 **Relating to:** honoring the career and service of Bob Uecker.

2 Whereas, Bob Uecker, affectionately known as “Mr. Baseball,” is a beloved
3 former baseball player, actor, and current broadcaster for the Milwaukee Brewers;
4 and

5 Whereas, Bob Uecker is known as the “Voice of the Brewers” for his tenured
6 career as a broadcaster for the Milwaukee Brewers since 1971; and

7 Whereas, in 2020, Bob Uecker marked his 50th year as a broadcaster for the
8 Milwaukee Brewers; and

9 Whereas, Bob Uecker has been recognized for his outstanding career as a
10 broadcaster, having been named the Wisconsin Sportscaster of the Year five times,
11 inducted into the National Radio Hall of Fame in 2001 and the National
12 Sportscasters and Sportswriters Association Hall of Fame in 2011, and awarded the
13 Ford C. Frick Award in 2003 from the Baseball Hall of Fame, which is awarded
14 annually for “meritorious service by baseball broadcasters”; and

1 Whereas, Bob Uecker had a career in acting, known for his numerous
2 appearances on Johnny Carson's *Tonight Show*, his role as the character George
3 Owens in the show *Mr. Belvedere*, and appearances in Miller Lite commercials and
4 several movies, including *Major League*; and

5 Whereas, Bob Uecker had a 12-year baseball career, playing in the minor
6 league for six years for affiliates of the Milwaukee Braves; and

7 Whereas, during the first year of his baseball career, Bob Uecker played for the
8 Eau Claire Bears, an affiliate of the Milwaukee Braves; and

9 Whereas, Bob Uecker made his major league debut in 1962 with the Milwaukee
10 Braves and played in the major league for six seasons on various teams as a catcher
11 until 1967; and

12 Whereas, during his baseball career, Bob Uecker was known for his defensive
13 skills as a catcher, finishing his career with a fielding percentage of .981 and leading
14 the National League in the most passed balls in the 1967 season, and winning a
15 World Series championship with the St. Louis Cardinals in 1964; and

16 Whereas, the Milwaukee Brewers have honored Bob Uecker's service to the
17 team by dedicating a statue to him in 2012 and another statue in 2014 called the
18 Uecker "Last Row" statue in the section of the stadium dubbed the "Uecker Seats,"
19 as a tribute to his famous tagline from a Miller Lite ad: "I must be in the front row";
20 and

21 Whereas, Bob Uecker, a Wisconsin native who was born and raised in
22 Milwaukee, has spent the majority of his career and life dedicated to baseball and
23 serving the Milwaukee Brewers; now, therefore, be it

