

111TH CONGRESS
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S. RES. 258

Commemorating the 100th anniversary of the University of Wisconsin-La
Crosse.

IN THE SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES

SEPTEMBER 10, 2009

Mr. KOHL (for himself and Mr. FEINGOLD) submitted the following resolution;
which was referred to the Committee on the Judiciary

RESOLUTION

Commemorating the 100th anniversary of the University of
Wisconsin-La Crosse.

Whereas La Crosse is located on the western border of mid-
dle-Wisconsin, on the east side of the Mississippi River;

Whereas the first Europeans to see the site of La Crosse
were French fur traders who traveled the Mississippi
River in the late 17th century;

Whereas La Crosse was incorporated as a city in 1856;

Whereas Thomas Morris sponsored a bill in the Wisconsin
State Senate that led to the creation of the current-day
University of Wisconsin-La Crosse;

Whereas the University of Wisconsin-La Crosse was founded
in 1909 as the La Crosse State Normal School for the
purpose of teacher preparation;

Whereas the philosophy of Fasset A. Cotton, the university's first president, was to train the whole person;

Whereas "mens corpusque", Latin for "mind and body", is the motto on the university seal;

Whereas the college changed its name to Wisconsin State College-La Crosse in 1951 when the Wisconsin State teachers colleges began awarding baccalaureate degrees in liberal arts;

Whereas the University of Wisconsin-La Crosse offers 88 undergraduate programs in 44 disciplines and 26 graduate programs;

Whereas the University of Wisconsin-La Crosse celebrated its 50th anniversary in 1959, the same year that presidential candidate John F. Kennedy visited the campus and spoke to the student body in Graff Main Hall auditorium;

Whereas U.S. News & World Report ranked the University of Wisconsin-La Crosse second among midwestern public universities offering bachelor's and master's degrees;

Whereas the University of Wisconsin-La Crosse men's athletic teams adopted the nickname "Eagles" in the fall of 1989, and the women's teams adopted that nickname a year later;

Whereas the University of Wisconsin-La Crosse athletic teams have won 59 National Collegiate Athletic Association Division III titles in 9 different sports; and

Whereas 2009 marks the 100th anniversary of the founding of the University of Wisconsin-La Crosse: Now, therefore, be it

1 *Resolved*, That the Senate—

1 (1) commemorates the 100th anniversary of the
2 University of Wisconsin-La Crosse; and

3 (2) commends the university for its status as a
4 leading public university that excels in academics,
5 athletics, and quality of life for students.

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