



2005 SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION 82

May 2, 2006 – Introduced by Senator BRESKE, cosponsored by Representative MURSAU. Referred to Committee on Senate Organization.

1 **Relating to:** the life and public service of Eric A. Palmisano.

2 Whereas, Lance Corporal Eric A. Palmisano, of Florence, Wisconsin, served the
3 United States proudly as a member of the U.S. Marine Corps; and

4 Whereas, Lance Cpl. Palmisano's body was recovered on April 11, 2006,
5 following an overturned truck accident in a flash flood near Al Asad, in the Al Anbar
6 Province of Iraq; and

7 Whereas, Lance Cpl. Palmisano followed a strong family tradition of ultimate
8 sacrifice by following in the service footsteps of his grandfather, uncle, and cousin;
9 and

10 Whereas, Lance Cpl. Palmisano joined the Marine Corps March 15, 2005, and
11 was awarded the Global War on Terrorism Service Medal and the National Defense
12 Service Medal; and

13 Whereas, a born leader, Lance Cpl. Palmisano attended boot camp and served
14 as scribe, was a Marine sharpshooter with an expert marksman qualification, and
15 had attained the rank of Tan Belt in the Martial Arts; and

1 Whereas, Lance Cpl. Palmisano underwent advanced training in the Marine
2 Corps at Fort Leonard Wood, Missouri, where his military occupational specialty was
3 as a motor transport operator, assigned to the 1st Transportation Support Battalion,
4 1st Marine Logistics Group, I Marine Expeditionary Force in Camp Pendleton,
5 California; and

6 Whereas, Lance Cpl. Palmisano earned his associate degree from the Seminole
7 Community College in Florida before entering the Marine Corps to make a better life
8 for himself and his fiancé, Claire; and

9 Whereas, survivors of Lance Cpl. Palmisano are parents Herb and Bobbie
10 Samme, his fiancé Claire, a brother Salvatore, paternal grandparents Sam and
11 Marie Palmisano, and maternal grandparents Bob and Gloria McCauslin, as well as
12 his faithful dog Hannah and many other family members; and

13 Whereas, Lance Cpl. Palmisano will always be remembered for his loyalty and
14 duty to the Marine Corps and to the cause of freedom, and for his love for and devotion
15 to his family and friends; and

16 Whereas, Lance Cpl. Palmisano's final resting place will be next to his father
17 in Chicago, where he will be buried with full military honors and he will never be
18 forgotten; now, therefore, be it

19 ***Resolved by the senate, the assembly concurring, That*** the members of the
20 Wisconsin legislature commend the life of Lance Corporal Eric A. Palmisano of
21 Florence, Wisconsin, express their sorrow at his death, and extend their condolences
22 to his family and friends; and, be it further

23 ***Resolved, That*** the senate chief clerk shall provide copies of this joint
24 resolution to Lance Cpl. Palmisano's parents, fiancé, brother, and grandparents.

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