



2013 ASSEMBLY JOINT RESOLUTION 45

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1 **Relating to:** designating the Honor and Remember Flag as Wisconsin’s emblem of
2 service and sacrifice by those in the United States Armed Forces who have
3 given their lives in the line of duty.

4 Whereas, while war deaths have been a part of our heritage since the birth of
5 this nation, the United States has not instituted an official symbol commemorating
6 fallen servicepersons; and

7 Whereas, the Honor and Remember Flag’s red field represents the brave men
8 and women who sacrificed their lives for freedom; and

9 Whereas, the flag’s blue star is a symbol of active service in military conflict that
10 dates back to World War I; and

11 Whereas, the flag’s white border recognizes the purity of sacrifice; and

12 Whereas, the flag’s gold star signifies the ultimate sacrifice of a warrior in
13 active service who is not returning home and reflects the value of the life given; and

14 Whereas, the folded flag element highlights this nation’s final tribute to a fallen
15 serviceperson and a family’s sacrifice; and

