

2005 ASSEMBLY JOINT RESOLUTION 79

February 16, 2006 – Introduced by Representative MUSSER, cosponsored by Senator BROWN. Referred to Committee on Rules.

1	Relating to: the life and military service of Sergeant Andy A. Stevens.
2	Whereas, Sergeant Andy A. Stevens was born August 18, 1976, in Tomah,
3	Wisconsin, and died on December 1, 2005, from an improvised explosive device while
4	conducting combat operations near Fallujah, Iraq; and
5	Whereas, Sergeant Stevens graduated from Tomah High School in 1995, where
6	he had been a confident and determined, hard-working student, participating in
7	football, basketball, and concert choir; and
8	Whereas, Sergeant Stevens joined the United States Marines in June 1995, as
9	he had planned to do since early childhood; and
10	Whereas, Sergeant Stevens was deployed as a scout sniper with his unit to Iraq
11	in July 2005, to help secure the region before Iraqi elections; and
12	Whereas, Sergeant Stevens served with honor in the 2nd Battalion, 7th Marine
13	Regiment, 1st Marine Division, I Marine Expeditionary Force, based in Twentynine
14	Palms, California, which during Operation Iraqi Freedom was attached to the 2nd
15	Marine Division, II Marine Expeditionary Force (Forward); and

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1	Whereas, Sergeant Stevens had been awarded military honors including the
2	War on Terrorism Expeditionary Medal, the War on Terrorism Service Medal, the
3	Combat Action Ribbon, 2 Marine Corps Good Conduct Medals, the Meritorious Unit
4	Commendation, the Navy Unit Commendation, the Korean Defense Service Medal,
5	2 National Defense Service Medals, and 5 Sea Service Deployment Ribbons; and
6	Whereas, Sergeant Stevens and 9 other Marines were inside an abandoned
7	flour factory being used as a patrol base and died when the IED detonated; and
8	Whereas, Sergeant Stevens was awarded the Purple Heart posthumously; now,
9	therefore, be it
10	Resolved by the assembly, the senate concurring, That the members of the
11	Wisconsin legislature honor United States Marine Sergeant Andy A. Stevens for his
12	dedicated service to his country and express their heartfelt condolences to his family;
13	and, be it further
14	Resolved, That the assembly chief clerk shall provide a copy of this joint
15	resolution to Sergeant Stevens' father, Allen Stevens, of Tomah; his mother, Kaye
16	Olson, of Eau Claire; and his sister, Amy Pelle, of Rice Lake.
17	(END)