

State of Misconsin 2013 - 2014 LEGISLATURE



2013 SENATE RESOLUTION 7

March 28, 2014 – Introduced by Senator RISSER. Referred to Committee on Senate Organization.

1	Relating to: the life and public service of Jacob Matthew Clark.
2	Whereas, First Lieutenant Jacob Matthew Clark was born July 10, 1980, to
3	Raphael and JoAnne Clark at St. Mary's Hospital in Green Bay, Wisconsin; and
4	Whereas, Jacob grew up in Pulaski, Wisconsin, attended Pulaski High School,
5	and was a proud member of the Pulaski Red Raiders wrestling team; and
6	Whereas, Jacob was very proud of his Polish heritage and Pulaski roots, which
7	shaped his love of Wisconsin and interest in public service, motivating him to earn
8	a Bachelor of Science degree from the University of Wisconsin–La Crosse in political
9	science and public administration in 2002; and
10	Whereas, after college, Jacob enlisted in the United States Army Reserve,
11	serving in the 428th Engineer Company out of Wausau, Wisconsin, before joining the
12	364th Public Affairs Detachment out of Fort Snelling, Minnesota; and
13	Whereas, Jacob proudly deployed to Afghanistan and Iraq in 2004 and 2008,
14	respectively, and in honor of his heroic service to his country, received the
15	Afghanistan Campaign Medal, the Iraq Campaign Medal, the Global War on

1	Terrorism Medal, the Army Commendation Medal, the Army Reserve
2	Commendation Medal, the Meritorious Service Medal, the Good Conduct Medal, the
3	NCO Professional Development Ribbon, the Army Service Ribbon, and the Armed
4	Forces Reserve Medal with a Mobilization Appurtenance two times; and
5	Whereas, while not on deployment, Jacob began working for the Wisconsin
6	State Senate Sergeant at Arms in September 2006, serving as Deputy Sergeant at
7	Arms, and in that capacity, taught dozens of Senate messengers how to carry out the
8	duties of the office with efficiency while instructing them on the fundamental
9	operations of government; and
10	Whereas, Jacob ran and administered the Senate Scholar program and also
11	provided tours of the Capitol dome to staff and visitors, sharing his wealth of
12	knowledge of the building's history, construction, and political legacies; and
13	Whereas, Jacob brought entertainment and lightheartedness to the workplace,
14	encouraged everyone to "Page Like a Champion," and most importantly, fostered the
15	value of camaraderie in the Sergeant's office, which encouraged the development of
16	long-lasting friendships among the staff; and
17	Whereas, Jacob enjoyed collecting and selling Wisconsin antiques, ice fishing,
18	and hunting in northern Wisconsin, and above all else, valued his relationships with
19	people, always had a joke to tell, and lived by the art of stopping by; and
20	Whereas, Jacob served as a brother to his fellow soldiers, a mentor to his
21	coworkers, and a loyal friend to both; and
22	Whereas, Jacob was a caring brother and son to his family and a devoted and
23	loving father to his own three sons, Mark Steven, Cyrus Ibrahim, and Louis Vincent;
24	and

Whereas, Jacob died on September 16, 2013, in Madison, Wisconsin, and is
 survived by his three sons and their mother, Hollie Clark; his mother; two brothers;
 five sisters; and seventeen nieces and nephews; and

Whereas, Jacob will be deeply missed by his friends and family; now, therefore,
be it

Resolved by the senate, That the members of the Wisconsin state senate do
commend the devoted public service of First Lieutenant Jacob Matthew Clark to the
State of Wisconsin and to the country, express their sorrow at his death, and extend
their condolences to his family and friends; and, be it further

Resolved, That the senate chief clerk shall provide a copy of this Senate
Resolution to Jacob's mother, JoAnne Clark; his sister, Rochelle Isaacson; his
brother, Mark Clark; his three sons, Mark, Cyrus, and Louis; and his friends Ted
Blazel and Cory Poulin.

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