



2005 SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION 42

September 27, 2005 – Introduced by Senator BRESKE. Referred to Committee on Senate Organization.

1 **Relating to:** the life and service of Lance Corporal John Mattek Jr. of the United
2 States Marine Corps who lost his life during Operation Iraqi Freedom.

3 Whereas, Lance Corporal John Mattek Jr. was born on September 12, 1980, in
4 Antigo, Wisconsin, and died on June 13, 2005, as a result of injuries suffered when
5 a roadside bomb exploded outside of his Humvee as part of combat operations in Al
6 Anbar Province, Iraq; and

7 Whereas, Lance Corporal Mattek was a member of the United States Marine
8 Corps, 2nd Light Armored Reconnaissance Battalion, Regimental Combat Team-2,
9 2nd Marine Division, II Marine Expeditionary Force, out of Camp Lejeune, North
10 Carolina; and

11 Whereas, Lance Corporal Mattek was a 1999 graduate of Antigo High School,
12 where he served as class president his freshman, sophomore, and senior years, was
13 the student council president, and participated in football, wrestling, and track; and

14 Whereas, Lance Corporal Mattek attended the University of
15 Wisconsin-Stevens Point, where he played football and rugby; and

1 Whereas, after the war in Iraq broke out in March 2003, he enlisted in the
2 United States Marine Corps so he could serve his country; and

3 Whereas, Lance Corporal Mattek provided faithful and honorable service to the
4 people of the state of Wisconsin and the people of the United States; and

5 Whereas, the people of Wisconsin mourn the death of Lance Corporal Mattek;
6 and

7 Whereas, Lance Corporal Mattek was laid to rest on June 20, 2005, at the St.
8 Wencel’s Catholic Church Cemetery in Neva; now, therefore, be it

9 ***Resolved by the senate, the assembly concurring, That*** the legislature of
10 the state of Wisconsin commemorates the remarkable life of Lance Corporal John
11 Mattek Jr. and extends its deepest sympathies to his family, friends, and colleagues;
12 and, be it further

13 ***Resolved, That*** the senate chief clerk shall transmit a copy of this joint
14 resolution to Lance Corporal Mattek’s parents, John and Marsha Mattek of
15 Deerbrook; sisters, Jill Mattek of Deerbrook and Katie Devore of Bryant; brother,
16 Matt Mattek of Deerbrook; paternal grandmother, Phyllis Mattek of Deerbrook; and
17 maternal grandfather, James LaHam of Deerbrook.

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