



2019 SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION 67

October 3, 2019 - Introduced by Senators MILLER, BEWLEY, CARPENTER, COWLES, DARLING, ERPENBACH, FEYEN, HANSEN, JOHNSON, LARSON, NASS, OLSEN, PETROWSKI, RINGHAND, RISSER, SCHACHTNER, SHILLING, L. TAYLOR, TIFFANY, WANGGAARD and WIRCH, cosponsored by Representatives HEBL, ALLEN, ANDERSON, BOWEN, HORLACHER, B. MEYERS, MILROY, MURSAU, OHNSTAD, SARGENT, SHANKLAND, SINICKI, SORTWELL, SPIROS, TUSLER, VRUWINK, ZAMARRIPA and C. TAYLOR. Referred to Committee on Senate Organization.

1 **Relating to:** honoring the life and public service of Dennis Burns.

2 Whereas, Dennis Burns served the Wisconsin State Senate as the Deputy
3 Sergeant-at-Arms and retired in July after more than 30 years of dedicated service
4 to the people of Wisconsin, including work in the Wisconsin State Assembly; and

5 Whereas, Dennis served our nation in the United States Air Force during the
6 Vietnam War; and

7 Whereas, Dennis had a deep love for collecting vintage muscle cars and riding
8 motorcycles. He rode his motorcycles across the country and often participated in the
9 annual Muscular Dystrophy Association Freedom Ride; and

10 Whereas, Dennis had a loving family including his wife, Olga, three children,
11 seven grandchildren, and one great-grandchild; and

12 Whereas, Dennis bravely battled cancer for the last 12 years while
13 simultaneously continuing his excellent work as Deputy Sergeant-at-Arms; and

1 Whereas, Dennis passed away on Sunday, September 8, 2019. He will be
2 greatly missed by his family, friends, and colleagues in the Wisconsin State
3 Legislature; now, therefore, be it

4 ***Resolved by the senate, the assembly concurring, That*** the members of the
5 Wisconsin State Legislature join in honoring the life and public service of Dennis
6 Burns on a tremendous lifelong career of service to our nation and the State of
7 Wisconsin and extend our condolences to his family and friends; and, be it further

8 ***Resolved, That*** the senate chief clerk shall provide copies of this joint
9 resolution to Dennis's wife, Olga Pristash, and his family.

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