

2003 ASSEMBLY JOINT RESOLUTION 34

1 **Relating to:** the life of Marine Sergeant Kirk Allen Straseskie.

2 Whereas, Marine Sergeant Kirk Allen Straseskie was born on November 19,
3 1979, in Beaver Dam, Wisconsin, and died on Monday, May 19, 2003, near Karbala,
4 Iraq, while attempting to save the lives of 4 of his fellow Marines whose CH-46
5 Sea-Knight helicopter had crashed into a canal; and

6 Whereas, Sgt. Straseskie, served with distinction and honor with B Company,
7 1st Battalion, 4th Marine Regiment, out of Camp Pendleton, California; and

8 Whereas, Sgt. Straseskie graduated from Beaver Dam High School in 1998,
9 where he participated in football and wrestling and enjoyed playing the violin as well
10 as volunteering with disabled children; and

11 Whereas, Sgt. Straseskie chose to follow in the footsteps of his father and
12 grandfather by joining the military after graduating from high school; and

13 Whereas, Sgt. Straseskie, made the ultimate sacrifice for his country while
14 advancing the cause of freedom for the Iraqi people; and

