

## 2003 SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION 71

1     **Relating to:** the life and service of Wisconsin Army National Guard Specialist  
2           Michelle Witmer.

3           Whereas, Specialist Michelle Witmer, daughter of John and Lori Witmer, sister  
4 of Rachel, Timothy, Charity, and Mark, was born on February 13, 1984, and died on  
5 April 9, 2004, in Baghdad, Iraq, defending herself and fellow soldiers from ambush;  
6 and

7           Whereas, Specialist Witmer served with distinction and honor with the  
8 Wisconsin National Guard 32nd Military Police Company of Milwaukee and  
9 Madison; and

10          Whereas, Specialist Witmer was home-schooled and graduated in 2002; and

11          Whereas, while serving in Iraq, Specialist Witmer volunteered at an Iraqi  
12 orphanage for disabled children, had a keen interest in government, drama, music,  
13 and animals, and devoted a great deal of passion and time to these interests; and

14          Whereas, Specialist Witmer made the ultimate sacrifice for her country while  
15 advancing the cause of freedom for the Iraqi people; and

