

2005 Senate Joint Resolution 3

ENROLLED JOINT RESOLUTION

Relating to: the life and military service of Marine Corporal Robert Warns II.

Whereas, Corporal Robert “Bobby” Warns II was born on May 2, 1981, in Waukesha, Wisconsin, and died on November 8, 2004, near Lutafiyah, Iraq, while serving on patrol with Lance Corporals Shane K. O’Donnell and Branden Ramey when they were hit by a buried improvised explosive device; and

Whereas, Corporal Warns served with distinction and honor as a member of Company G, 2nd Battalion, 24th Marine Regiment, 4th Marine Division (Reinforced), Fleet Marine Force, based in Madison, Wisconsin, while attached to the first Marine Expeditionary Force in support of Operation Iraqi Freedom; and

Whereas, Corporal Warns was a member of St. Mary’s Catholic Church since 1981; and

Whereas, Corporal Warns graduated in 1999 from Catholic Memorial High School in Waukesha, was to have been a senior majoring in management information systems at the University of Wisconsin–Milwaukee, and had anticipated a promising career in management information systems upon his anticipated return home from service in Iraq; and

Whereas, his child, Payton Warns, was born on May 5, 2005, into a world safe from tyranny; and

Whereas, Corporal Warns dreamed of being in the military and dreamed of serving his country proudly; and

Whereas, Corporal Warns made the ultimate sacrifice for his country while advancing the cause of freedom for the Iraqi people; and

Whereas, Corporal Warns will always be remembered for his bravery and courage and will never be forgotten; now, therefore, be it

Resolved by the senate, the assembly concurring, That the members of the Wisconsin legislature honor Corporal Robert “Bobby” Warns II for his dedication to our country and express their heartfelt sorrow over the loss of his life 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 joint resolution to Corporal Warns’ parents, Robert and Bridget Warns, to his sister, Katie Riesch, to his paternal grandparents, Norman and Dorothy Warns, to his maternal grandmother, Rosaleen McDermott, and to his girlfriend, Erin Nielson, and their child, Payton Warns.

Representative John G. Gard
Speaker of the Assembly

Senator Alan J. Lasee
President of the Senate

Date

Robert J. Marchant
Senate Chief Clerk