

## 2007 SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION 91

1     **Relating to:** the life and military service of Army Sergeant Matthew Pionk.

2             Whereas, Army Sergeant Matthew Pionk was born on October 10, 1977, in  
3     Duluth, Minnesota, grew up in Oliver, Wisconsin, and died of injuries sustained on  
4     January 9, 2008, from enemy action in Iraq; and

5             Whereas, Sergeant Pionk was a 1996 graduate of Superior High School in  
6     Superior, Wisconsin, and enlisted in the United States Army in 1998; and

7             Whereas, Sergeant Pionk enjoyed playing basketball, hunting, and working on  
8     cars, including a 1970 Chevy truck he restored when he was in high school, and was  
9     most remembered by friends, family, and fellow soldiers as a generous and kind soul,  
10    a role model, and a bold leader who commanded great respect both in combat and in  
11    his community; and

12            Whereas, Sergeant Pionk served with distinction in the 3rd Squadron, 2nd  
13    Cavalry Regiment, 1st Armored Division out of Vilseck, Germany, where he was a  
14    platoon sergeant, and was in his second tour of duty in Iraq; and

