



## 2009 ASSEMBLY JOINT RESOLUTION 75

1       **Relating to:** the life and public service of John Stanley.

2               Whereas, Dane County Coroner John Stanley passed away suddenly at his  
3       DeForest home on Sunday, September 13, 2009, at the age of 63; and

4               Whereas, John Stanley earned the rank of sergeant-combat engineer in the  
5       United States Marine Corps and served three tours of duty in Vietnam, an  
6       experience he called life-changing and responsible for making him the man he  
7       became; and

8               Whereas, John Stanley had a distinguished career as a public servant in Dane  
9       County including serving as sergeant and juvenile officer with the McFarland Police  
10      Department, detective with the Dane County Sheriff's Office, security supervisor  
11      and director of emergency medical services training at St. Mary's Hospital, and  
12      firefighter and emergency medical technician for the town of Madison; and

13              Whereas, John Stanley began his career in the Dane County Coroner's office in  
14      1991 when he was hired as deputy coroner, and he served as coroner from 2001 to  
15      2009; and

1           Whereas, John Stanley’s knowledge, skill, and experience were often requested  
2           by area communities and state organizations, including Rock County which needed  
3           assistance in setting up its coroner’s office, the Wisconsin Coroners and Medical  
4           Examiners Association for which he served as chairman of the legislative committee,  
5           and the Pathology Department at UW–Madison; and

6           Whereas, John Stanley was highly regarded as a compassionate and caring  
7           man who took his position as coroner and public servant very seriously, making  
8           himself available at all times of the day, every day of the week, and offering support  
9           and comfort to victims and to families after the loss of a loved one; and

10          Whereas, while John Stanley managed the county coroner’s office in one of our  
11          state’s largest cities, he was a farmer at heart who loved and cherished the natural  
12          beauty of Wisconsin where he hunted, fished, hiked and spent hours in the peace and  
13          quiet of the woods; and

14          Whereas, John Stanley was more than a boss—he was a friend—to his staff in  
15          the coroner’s office and everyone who worked closely with him; and

16          Whereas, John Stanley recognized the importance of family, treasuring the  
17          time he spent with his wife, Theone, and the years they spent together raising their  
18          children, Nickie, Theone, and John, and he looked forward to visits from his  
19          grandchildren, Michael, Katie, Emily, and Mason, and great–grandson, Gavin; now,  
20          therefore, be it

21                 ***Resolved by the assembly, the senate concurring, That*** the legislature of  
22          the state of Wisconsin recognizes the dedication, commitment, and public service  
23          made by John Stanley to the citizens of Dane County and offers its sincere  
24          sympathies to John Stanley’s family.

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