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2009 ASSEMBLY JOINT RESOLUTION 127

April 14, 2010 – Introduced by Representative Sinicki, cosponsored by Senator Plale. Referred to Committee on Rules.

2 Whereas, more than 65 years ago, Erwin "Bud" Bessler served the United 3 States military honorably and with great bravery, serving in his youth for America for the freedom of France and its people; and 4 5 Whereas, Mr. Bessler enlisted in January 1943 as a Corporal in the 460th Air 6 Force of the 1st Army; and 7 Whereas, from March 1944 to November 1945 Mr. Bessler participated in the 8 Allied Campaigns in Normandy, Northern France, Ardennes, Rhineland, and 9 Central Europe; and 10 Whereas, for his achievements, Mr. Bessler was awarded by the U.S. 11 government the Purple Heart Medal, the European-African-Middle Eastern 12 Campaign Ribbon with one silver star, the Good Conduct Medal, the WWII Victory 13 Medal, three overseas service bars, and the American Theater Ribbon; and

Relating to: the life and public service of Erwin Bessler.

	Whereas,	thanks	to	the	unshak	keable	courage	of	Mr.	Bessler	and	his
brothers-in-arms, France was liberated and its people have lived in peace for the												
past	six decade	s; and										

Whereas, to express their eternal gratitude, the government of the French Republic has presented to Mr. Bessler the Knight of the Legion of Honor medal; and Whereas, created by Napoleon, the Legion of Honor is the highest honor the government of France can bestow upon those who have committed remarkable deeds

Resolved by the assembly, the senate concurring, That the legislature of Wisconsin honors and remembers the heroic deeds of this their son, Erwin "Bud"

of valor on behalf of the French people; now, therefore, be it

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