Relating to: honoring the victims of the Arizona shootings.

Whereas, on the morning of Saturday, January 8, 2011, an armed assailant fired upon a crowd of citizens assembled at a supermarket for the purpose of a constituent meeting with a member of Congress in Tucson, Arizona; and

Whereas, as a result of the attack, six individuals were killed and fourteen were injured, including U.S. Congresswoman Gabrielle Giffords, two of her aides, and several private citizens; and

Whereas, the fallen were U.S. District Court Judge John Roll, 63; Gabe Zimmerman, 30, a former social worker and member of Congresswoman Gabrielle Giffords’ staff; Dorwan Stoddard, 76, a retired construction worker and gas station owner; Phyllis Schneck, 79, a grandmother who was active in her church; Dorothy Morris, 76, a retired secretary and bookkeeper; and Christina Green, a 9-year-old girl; and
Whereas, a group of four private citizens acted heroically in disarming the attacker, ensuring he was not able to flee the scene and averting further loss of life; and

Whereas, open discussion and debate of matters of policy between members of the public and elected representatives is at the heart of the American governing tradition; and

Whereas, as elected officials we all recognize that discussion can and should be able to take place in a public forum with respect and consideration for one another and our constituents; and

Whereas, public servants have the honorable duty of routinely engaging with and remaining accessible to the constituencies they are privileged to represent; and

Whereas, the members of the Wisconsin legislature similarly strive to serve our country and constituents in a manner befitting this great institution; and

Whereas, our thoughts and prayers go out to the families of the dead and wounded following this national tragedy; now, therefore, be it

**Resolved by the assembly, That** the assembly of the state of Wisconsin hereby recognizes and honors those slain in the Arizona attack, extends its deepest sympathies to the families and friends of the victims, hopes for the full and swift recovery for those who have been wounded, and commends the courageous citizens who intervened to prevent further violence.

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