

## State of Misconsin 2013 - 2014 LEGISLATURE



## **2013 SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION 13**

1	Relating to: the life and military service of United States Army Staff Sergeant
2	Joseph James Altmann.
3	Whereas, Joseph was born on December 15, 1984, in Marshfield, Wisconsin, to
4	John and Janice Altmann and died on December 25, 2011, of injuries sustained when
5	an insurgent attacked his unit in Kunar Province, Afghanistan; and
6	Whereas, Joseph was a 2003 graduate of Columbus Catholic High School and
7	attended the University of Wisconsin–Marshfield/Wood County and the University
8	of Wisconsin–Marathon County; and
9	Whereas, Joseph entered the United States Army and attended basic training
10	at Fort Leonard Wood, Missouri, graduating in July 2005; and
11	Whereas, Joseph further trained as a combat medic at Fort Sam Houston in San
12	Antonio, Texas, graduating in November 2005; and
13	Whereas, Joseph was assigned to the 2nd Battalion, 3rd Field Artillery
14	Regiment, 2nd Armored Division, Giessen, Germany, and served his first tour of duty
15	in Iraq from 2006 to 2007; and

1	Whereas, Joseph was assigned to Walter Reed Hospital as a medic and later
2	assigned to the 2nd Battalion, 27th Infantry Regiment, 3rd Brigade Combat Team,
3	25th Infantry Division, Schofield Barracks, Hawaii; and
4	Whereas, Joseph was awarded the Expert Field Medic Badge in October 2010
5	after further training and the completion of a multi-day testing course; of the 160
6	participants that started, only 12 completed the course and were awarded the badge;
7	and
8	Whereas, Joseph served his second tour of duty in Iraq in 2009 and started his
9	third tour of duty in Afghanistan in 2011; and
10	Whereas, Joseph married Nikki Lee Nichols on February 15, 2011, in Honolulu,
11	Hawaii; and
12	Whereas, Joseph embodied the Army's core values of loyalty, duty, respect,
13	selfless service, honor, integrity, and personal service and will be remembered for his
14	quiet demeanor and unwavering friendship; now, therefore, be it
15	Resolved by the senate, the assembly concurring, That the legislature of
16	the state of Wisconsin commemorates the remarkable life of Joseph James Altmann
17	and extends its deepest sympathies to his family, friends, and colleagues; and, be it
18	further
19	Resolved, That the senate chief clerk shall transmit a copy of this joint
20	resolution to Joseph's parents, John and Janice Altmann, and his wife, Nikki.
21	(END)