



2025 Assembly Joint Resolution 12

ENROLLED JOINT RESOLUTION

Relating to: honoring the life and public service of Assembly Chief Clerk Patrick Fuller.

Whereas, Patrick Eli Fuller was born to Sam and Irene Fuller on February 24, 1954, in Rossford, Ohio; and

Whereas, Chief Clerk Fuller graduated from St. Francis de Sales High School, received a bachelor's degree in history from the University of Toledo, and received a master's of business administration from Touro University; and

Whereas, Chief Clerk Fuller enlisted in the United States Marine Corps as an infantryman, serving as a team leader, squad leader, infantry instructor, and platoon sergeant; and

Whereas, Chief Clerk Fuller was later commissioned as a second lieutenant of marines from Officer Candidates School; and

Whereas, Chief Clerk Fuller then served as platoon commander, company commander, and assistant operations officer in the 2nd Reconnaissance Battalion, 2nd Marine Division, as well as a course team director at the Amphibious Reconnaissance School, Naval Amphibious Base; and

Whereas, Chief Clerk Fuller, after serving 13 years in the United States Marine Corps, transferred to the United States Army, serving as a battalion logistics officer and later a company commander within the 82nd Airborne Division; and

Whereas, Chief Clerk Fuller was deployed in support of Operation Desert Shield and Operation Desert Storm as commander of the Long Range Surveillance Detachment, 82nd Airborne Division, and then became company commander of the Long Range Surveillance Company, XVIII Airborne Corps; and

Whereas, Chief Clerk Fuller retired in 1997 as battalion executive officer, 6th Infantry Division, with the rank of lieutenant colonel; and

Whereas, over his 25-year career in the United States military, Chief Clerk Fuller received the Meritorious Service Medal, Navy Marine Corps Commendation Medal, Navy Achievement Medal, Marine Corps Expedition Medal, Marine Corps Good Conduct Medal, National Defense Service Medal, Navy Unit Commendation, Army Service Medal, Sea Service Deployment Ribbon, Southwest Asia Service Medal, Kuwait Liberation Medal, Combat Infantry Badge, Expert Infantry Badge, Master Parachutist Badge, Pathfinder Badge, Ranger Tab, Combat Diver Badge, Marine Corps Expert Rifle Badge, Marine Corps Expert Pistol Badge, Bronze Rifle Medal for Competitive Shooting, Israeli Parachute Badge, Australia Parachute Badge, German Parachute Badge, and Holland M. Smith Award and was also an NRA master for the high power rifle; and

Whereas, Chief Clerk Fuller was appointed as assistant assembly chief clerk in 2001; and

Whereas, Chief Clerk Fuller was elected as assembly chief clerk in 2003; and

Whereas, Chief Clerk Fuller earned the respect of many state officials and employees for his management of assembly operations, as well as his assistance with state government procedures and issues; and

Whereas, Chief Clerk Fuller retired from his position as assembly chief clerk in 2021, having served the assembly across 10 legislative sessions with both Republican and Democratic majorities; and

Whereas, Chief Clerk Fuller and his wife Cheryl Fuller, whom he married in August of 1981, were respected members of both their parish and local community; and

Whereas, Chief Clerk Fuller was a loving husband to his wife Cheryl, father to his son Samuel John Fuller, and grandfather to his grandson Nikoli Fuller; and

Whereas, Chief Clerk Fuller passed away on January 30, 2025, at the age of 70; and

Whereas, Chief Clerk Fuller is missed by his family, friends, fellow service members, and colleagues; now, therefore, be it

Resolved by the assembly, the senate concurring, That the members of the Wisconsin State Legislature join in honoring the life and public service of Assembly Chief Clerk Patrick Fuller and extend their condolences to his family and friends.

Senator Mary Felzkowski
President of the Senate

Representative Robin J. Vos
Speaker of the Assembly

Date

Edward A. Blazel
Assembly Chief Clerk