
ENROLLED JOINT RESOLUTION

Relating to: the life and military service of United States Army Lieutenant Colonel Paul Robert Bartz.

Whereas, Paul was born on December 8, 1966, grew up in Waterloo, Wisconsin, and died on May 18, 2010, of injuries sustained from a vehicle-borne improvised explosive device in Kabul, Afghanistan; and

Whereas, Paul was a graduate of Waterloo High School in 1985 and attended the University of Wisconsin-Oshkosh; Paul was commissioned into the Adjutant General Corps as a Distinguished Military Graduate from the University of Wisconsin-Oshkosh, Reserve Officer Training Corps (ROTC) in 1989; and

Whereas, Paul served with distinction as the assistant chief of staff with the 10th Mountain Division Headquarter and Headquarters battalion at Fort Drum, New York; and

Whereas, Paul was a highly decorated officer, receiving awards and decorations including the Legion of Merit (posthumous), Bronze Star Medal (posthumous), Purple Heart Medal (posthumous), Defense Meritorious Service Medal, Meritorious Service Medal, Army Commendation Medal, Joint Service Achievement Medal, Army Achievement Medal, Joint Meritorious Unit Award, Army Superior Unit Award, National Defense Service Medal, Afghanistan Campaign Medal (posthumous), Global War on Terrorism Service Medal, Most Outstanding Volunteer Service Medal, Army Service Ribbon, Overseas Service Ribbon, NATO Medal (posthumous), and Combat Action Badge (posthumous); and

Whereas, Paul embodied the Army's core values of loyalty, duty, respect, selfless service, honor, integrity, and personal service and he will be sorely missed; and

Whereas, Paul's family and fellow citizens are very proud of him and his devotion to his family, faith, and country; now, therefore, be it

Resolved by the assembly, the senate concurring, That the legislature of the state of Wisconsin commemorates the remarkable life of Paul Robert Bartz and extends its deepest sympathies to his family, friends, and colleagues; and, be it further

Resolved, That the assembly chief clerk shall transmit a copy of this joint resolution to Paul's wife, Michelle, Paul's son, Logan, Paul's parents, Robert and Darlene Bartz, to his sisters, Elizabeth Bartz and Debra Wright, and to his brother, James Bartz.

Senator Michael G. Ellis
President of the Senate

Representative Jeff Fitzgerald
Speaker of the Assembly

Date

Patrick E. Fuller
Assembly Chief Clerk