

**2009 Senate Joint Resolution 50** 

## **ENROLLED JOINT RESOLUTION**

Relating to: the life and military service of U.S. Army Staff Sgt. Jeremy Dale Vrooman.

Whereas, Staff Sgt. Jeremy D. Vrooman was born on February 27, 1980, in Sioux Falls, South Dakota, loved spending time in his adult years with his father and stepmother in Superior, Wisconsin, and died on July 15, 2008, from enemy action in Kn'an, Diyala Province, Iraq; and

Whereas, Staff Sgt. Vrooman enlisted in the U.S. Army in December, 1999; and

Whereas, Staff Sgt. Vrooman served with distinction in the 4th Squadron, 2nd Stryker Cavalry Regiment, 2nd Stryker Brigade Combat Team, 1st Armored Division, Vilsek, Germany as a staff sergeant in his second tour of duty in Iraq; and

Whereas, Staff Sgt. Vrooman's family and fellow citizens are very proud of him and know that he died doing what he truly loved to do: serve his nation and fight for our freedom; and

Whereas, Staff Sgt. Vrooman was awarded for his valor and leadership, receiving high honors at his funeral, and was presented with a Purple Heart and Bronze Star for the lives he saved while sacrificing his own; and

Whereas, Staff Sgt. Vrooman embodied the Army's core values of Loyalty, Duty, Respect, Selfless Service, Honor, Integrity, and Personal Courage, and he is sorely missed; now, therefore, be it

**Resolved by the senate, the assembly concurring, That** the legislature of the state of Wisconsin commemorates the remarkable life of Staff Sgt. Jeremy D. Vrooman and extends its deepest sympathies to his family, friends, and colleagues; and, be it further

*Resolved, That* the senate chief clerk shall transmit a copy of this joint resolution to his father and stepmother Bruce and Sue Vrooman; his mother Lori Donahue; his wife and children Latrecia, Xavier, and Jade; his uncle Loren Vrooman; and his brothers Brad and Justin Vrooman.

Representative Michael J. Sheridan Speaker of the Assembly Senator Fred A. Risser President of the Senate

Robert J. Marchant Senate Chief Clerk

Date