

State of Misconsin 2009 - 2010 LEGISLATURE

2009 ASSEMBLY JOINT RESOLUTION 108

February 10, 2010 – Introduced by Representatives MURTHA, SUDER, DEXTER, RHOADES, HUEBSCH, HUBLER and DANOU, cosponsored by Senators HARSDORF, KREITLOW, VINEHOUT, JAUCH and KAPANKE. Referred to Committee on Rules.

1	Relating to: commending the Wisconsin Army National Guard's 32nd Brigade, 1st
2	Battalion, 128th Infantry, for receiving the Walter T. Kerwin Jr. Award.
3	Whereas, the Eau Claire-based 1st Battalion, 128th Infantry has received the
4	Walter T. Kerwin Jr. Award for Readiness and Training as the outstanding National
5	Guard unit for 2009; and
6	Whereas, the Kerwin Award is named for Gen. Walter T. "Dutch" Kerwin Jr.,
7	a former Army vice chief of staff who was the first commander of U.S. Army Forces
8	Command (FORSCOM) when it was established in 1976 and charged with ensuring
9	the readiness and training of all Army units-active, Guard and reserve-in the
10	United States; and
11	Whereas, the award signifies that the battalion is the best in the nation in terms
12	of combat readiness and training; and
13	Whereas; the award was presented in October 2009 at the annual meeting of
14	the Association of the United States Army in Washington, D.C.; and

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Whereas, 1st Battalion, 128th Infantry is headquartered in Eau Claire and
includes Detachment 1 of the Headquarters Company in Abbotsford; Company A in
Menomonie; Company B in New Richmond and Detachment 1 of Company B in Rice
Lake; Company C in Arcadia and Detachment 1 of Company C in Onalaska; and
Company D in River Falls; and
Whereas, 1st Battalion, 128th Infantry is currently serving in Iraq as part of
a one-year mobilization that began in February of this year; and
Whereas, the battalion has about 600 soldiers assigned to units presently
operating in Iraq at forward operating bases Future, Cropper, and Liberty near the
Baghdad International Airport, and at Ashraf; and
Whereas, the battalion's missions are expected to be completed in January
2010; now, therefore, be it
Resolved by the assembly, the senate concurring, That the legislature
commends the Wisconsin Army National Guard's 32nd Brigade, 1st Battalion, 128th
Infantry, for receiving the Walter T. Kerwin Jr. Award.
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