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Rep. Considine Bill Unanimously Passes Assembly

Madison – This afternoon the Assembly passed Assembly Bill (AB) 77, relating to naming a portion of State Highway 33 as the Staff Sergeant (SSG) Daniel D. Busch Memorial Highway. This naming will come at no cost to the state, as family and friends of SSG Dan Busch are raising money to pay for the markers and maintenance associated with the honor. Rep. Dave Considine (D-Baraboo) introduced this bill and issued the following statement regarding the passage:

"Staff Sergeant Dan Busch was a constituent of the 81st District who gave his life in service to his country. I could not be prouder to work to preserve his legacy with this bill," said Rep. Considine. "I believe that Dan's selfless acts in battle exemplify not only his incredible character and integrity, but his steadfast commitment to his country and his fellow comrades."

While serving in Mogadishu on October 3, 1993, SSG Busch's helicopter was shot out of the sky. After the crash, he immediately exited the aircraft and defended his team's position. These heroic actions by SSG Busch protected the lives of his team members but ultimately led to his death.

"Dan graduated from Portage High School in 1986. Shortly thereafter he became the youngest member of the Delta Force to qualify as a sniper at that time. He achieved many of his goals when enlisted in the army and he left an incredible legacy for his young wife, infant child, and our grieving community. Everyone who knew Dan speaks highly of his character and integrity, and about how he truly was the head of the spear of the U.S. Armed Forces."

The SSG Daniel D. Busch Memorial Highway bill now heads to the Senate to be scheduled for a full vote on the Senate floor.

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