



## 2021 ASSEMBLY JOINT RESOLUTION 132

February 15, 2022 - Introduced by Representatives BOWEN, RIEMER, CONLEY, CONSIDINE, DRAKE, HEBL, MILROY, NOVAK, SHELTON, SPREITZER, SUBECK, VINING, VRUWINK, SINICKI and STUBBS, cosponsored by Senators CARPENTER, COWLES, JOHNSON and RINGHAND. Referred to Committee on Rules.

\*\*\*AUTHORS SUBJECT TO CHANGE\*\*\*

1     **Relating to:** honoring the life and accomplishments of Colin Luther Powell.

2             Whereas, Colin Powell was born in 1937 in New York City to Luther and Maud  
3 Powell, both immigrants from Jamaica raising him with a strong work ethic; and

4             Whereas, in 1958, after graduating from the City College of New York, Colin  
5 Powell enlisted in the US Army, where he would serve as a professional soldier for  
6 35 years, eventually attaining the rank of general; and

7             Whereas, Colin Powell was appointed in 1987 by President Ronald Reagan to  
8 serve as National Security Advisor, becoming the first Black man to hold that  
9 position; and

10            Whereas, in 1989, Colin Powell became the first Black American to be  
11 appointed Chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff by President George H. W. Bush, a  
12 position he would continue to hold under President Bill Clinton until 1993; and

13            Whereas, in 2001, after many years of distinguished public service, Colin  
14 Powell was named and unanimously confirmed as United States Secretary of State  
15 under President George W. Bush, becoming the first Black person named to that

