



HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION 08-1024

BY REPRESENTATIVE(S) Garza-Hicks, Balmer, Benefield, Borodkin, Buescher, Butcher, Carroll M., Carroll T., Casso, Curry, Ferrandino, Fischer, Frangas, Gagliardi, Gallegos, Gardner B., Gardner C., Green, Hodge, Jahn, Kefalas, Kerr A., Kerr J., King, Labuda, Lambert, Levy, Liston, Looper, Lundberg, Madden, Marostica, Marshall, Massey, May M., McFadyen, McGihon, McKinley, McNulty, Merrifield, Middleton, Mitchell V., Peniston, Pommer, Primavera, Rice, Riesberg, Roberts, Romanoff, Rose, Scanlan, Solano, Sonnenberg, Soper, Stafford, Stephens, Summers, Swalm, Todd, Vaad, Weissmann, White, Witwer, Bruce, and Judd; also SENATOR(S) McElhany, Bacon, Boyd, Brophy, Cadman, Gibbs, Gordon, Groff, Hagedorn, Harvey, Isgar, Johnson, Keller, Kester, Kopp, Mitchell S., Morse, Penry, Renfroe, Romer, Sandoval, Schultheis, Schwartz, Shaffer, Spence, Tapia, Taylor, Tochtrop, Tupa, Veiga, Ward, Wiens, Williams, Windels, and Takis.

**CONCERNING RECOGNITION OF MILITARY PERSONNEL
FROM COLORADO WHO ARE SERVING IN OPERATION
IRAQI FREEDOM AND OPERATION ENDURING FREEDOM
AND HONORING THOSE WHO HAVE DIED WHILE SERVING
THEIR COUNTRY IN IRAQ AND AFGHANISTAN.**

WHEREAS, Thousands of military personnel from Colorado have served and continue to serve in Iraq in "Operation Iraqi Freedom" and in Afghanistan in "Operation Enduring Freedom", including troops based at Fort Carson, the United States Air Force Academy, Peterson Air Force Base, and Buckley Air Force Base; members of the Colorado National Guard, Army Reserve, and Marine Corps Reserve; and troops from Colorado who are deployed with military units based in other states; and

WHEREAS, In the last twelve months, the following soldiers based at Fort Carson, Colorado, made the ultimate sacrifice while serving their country in Operation Iraqi Freedom:

- ! Staff Sergeant Chad Alan Barrett of Saltville, Virginia, a member of the United States Army assigned to Company E, 64th Brigade Support Battalion, 3rd Brigade Combat Team;
- ! Specialist Matthew Edward Baylis of Oakdale, New York, a member of the United States Army assigned to the 2nd Battalion, 12th Infantry Regiment, 2nd Brigade Combat Team, 2nd Infantry Division;
- ! Specialist Justin Richard Blackwell of Paris, Tennessee, a member of the United States Army assigned to the 59th Military Police Company, 759th Military Police Battalion, 43rd Area Support Group;
- ! Private Second Class Jeremy Shawn Bohannon of Bon Aqua, Tennessee, a member of the United States Army assigned to the 59th Military Police Company, 759th Military Police Battalion, 43rd Area Support Group;
- ! Private First Class Kyle Geoffrey Bohrsen of Phillipsburg, Montana, a member of the United States Army assigned to the 2nd Battalion, 12th Infantry Regiment, 2nd Brigade Combat Team, 2nd Infantry Division;

- ! Private First Class Brian A. Botello of Alta, Iowa, a member of the United States Army assigned to the 3rd Squadron, 61st Cavalry, 2nd Brigade Combat Team, 2nd Infantry Division;
- ! Sergeant William Edward Brown of Phil Campbell, Alabama, a member of the United States Army assigned to C Company, 2nd Battalion, 227th Aviation Regiment, 1st Cavalry Division;
- ! Sergeant James Edward Craig of Los Angeles, California, a member of the United States Army assigned to the 1st Battalion, 8th Infantry Regiment, 3rd Brigade Combat Team, 4th Infantry Division;
- ! Private First Class Steven A. Davis of Woodbridge, Virginia, a member of the United States Army assigned to the 2nd Battalion, 12th Infantry Regiment, 2nd Brigade Combat Team, 2nd Infantry Division;
- ! Staff Sergeant Eric Thomas Duckworth of Plano, Texas, a member of the United States Army assigned to the Headquarters and Headquarters Detachment, 759th Military Police Battalion, 89th Military Police Brigade;
- ! Staff Sergeant Michael D. Elledge of Brownsburg, Indiana, a member of the United States Army assigned to the 1st Battalion, 68th Armor Regiment, 3rd Brigade Combat Team, 4th Infantry Division;
- ! Staff Sergeant Jarred S. Fontenot of Port Barre, Louisiana, a member of the United States Army assigned to the 2nd Battalion, 12th Infantry Regiment, 2nd Brigade Combat Team, 2nd Infantry Division;
- ! Private First Class Walter Freeman, Jr., of Lancaster, California, a member of the United States Army assigned to the 2nd Battalion, 12th Infantry Regiment, 2nd Brigade Combat Team, 2nd Infantry Division;

- ! Sergeant Alexander James Funcheon of Belaire, Kansas, a member of the United States Army assigned to the 3rd Squadron, 61st Cavalry Regiment, 2nd Brigade Combat Team, 2nd Infantry Division;
- ! Private First Class Derek A. Gibson of Eustis, Florida, a member of the United States Army assigned to the 2nd Battalion, 12th Infantry Regiment, 2nd Brigade Combat Team, 2nd Infantry Division;
- ! Private First Class Zachary Ryan Gullett of Hillsboro, Ohio, a member of the United States Army assigned to the 984th Military Police Company, 759th Military Police Battalion, 43rd Area Support Group;
- ! Private First Class Cory Hiltz of La Verne, California, a member of the United States Army assigned to the 2nd Battalion, 12th Infantry Regiment, 2nd Brigade Combat Team, 2nd Infantry Division;
- ! Private First Class Brian L. Holden of Claremont, North Carolina, a member of the United States Army assigned to the 2nd Battalion, 17th Field Artillery, 2nd Brigade Combat Team, 2nd Infantry Division;
- ! Private First Class Kenneth James Iwasinski of West Springfield, Massachusetts, a member of the United States Army assigned to the 2nd Battalion, 12th Infantry, 2nd Brigade Combat Team, 2nd Infantry Division;
- ! Sergeant Edmund John Jeffers of Daleville, Alabama, a member of the United States Army assigned to the 1st Battalion, 9th Infantry Regiment, 2nd Brigade Combat Team, 2nd Infantry Division;
- ! Staff Sergeant Gary Wayne Jeffries of Roscoe, Texas, a member of the United States Army assigned to the 1st Battalion, 8th Infantry Regiment, 3rd Brigade Combat Team, 4th Infantry Division;

- ! Private First Class Roy Lee Jones III of Houston, Texas, a member of the United States Army assigned to the 984th Military Police Company, 759th Military Police Battalion, 43rd Area Support Group;
- ! Sergeant Giann Carolo Joya-Mendoza of North Hollywood, California, a member of the United States Army assigned to the 2nd Battalion, 12th Infantry, 2nd Brigade Combat Team, 2nd Infantry Division;
- ! Specialist Shin Woo Kim of Fullerton, California, a member of the United States Army assigned to the 2nd Battalion, 12th Infantry, 2nd Brigade Combat Team, 2nd Infantry Division;
- ! Private First Class Christopher David Kube of Sterling Heights, Michigan, a member of the United States Army assigned to the 2nd Battalion, 17th Field Artillery, 2nd Brigade Combat Team, 2nd Infantry Division;
- ! Specialist Eric Anthony Lill of Chicago, Illinois, a member of the United States Army assigned to the 2nd Battalion, 17th Field Artillery, 2nd Brigade Combat Team, 2nd Infantry Division;
- ! Specialist Evan Andrew Marshall of Athens, Georgia, a member of the United States Army assigned to the 1st Battalion, 8th Infantry Regiment, 3rd Brigade Combat Team, 4th Infantry Division;
- ! Staff Sergeant Jay Edward Martin of Fort Lewis, Washington, a member of the United States Army assigned to the 3rd Squadron, 61st Cavalry, 2nd Brigade Combat Team, 2nd Infantry Division;
- ! Sergeant Michael Martinez of Chula Vista, California, a member of the United States Army assigned to the 2nd Battalion, 12th Infantry Regiment, 2nd Brigade Combat Team, 2nd Infantry Division;

- ! Private First Class Brandon Abbott Meyer of Orange, California, a member of the United States Army assigned to the 1st Battalion, 8th Infantry Regiment, 3rd Brigade Combat Team, 4th Infantry Division;
- ! Specialist Brynn Joel Naylor of Roswell, New Mexico, a member of the United States Army assigned to the 2nd Battalion, 12th Infantry Regiment, 2nd Brigade Combat Team, 2nd Infantry Division;
- ! Staff Sergeant Robert R. Pirelli of Franklin, Massachusetts, a member of the United States Army assigned to Company A, 3rd Battalion, 10th Special Forces Group;
- ! Staff Sergeant Robb Roling of Milton, Massachusetts, a member of the United States Army assigned to Company B, 2nd Battalion, 10th Special Forces Group;
- ! Major Mark E. Rosenberg of Miami Lakes, Florida, a member of the United States Army assigned to the 3rd Battalion, 29th Field Artillery Regiment, 3rd Brigade Combat Team, 4th Infantry Division;
- ! Sergeant Daniel Jordan Shaw of West Seneca, New York, a member of the United States Army assigned to the 1st Battalion, 9th Infantry Regiment, 2nd Brigade Combat Team, 2nd Infantry Division;
- ! Specialist Christopher C. Simpson of Hampton, Virginia, a member of the United States Army assigned to the 1st Battalion, 68th Armor Regiment, 3rd Brigade Combat Team, 4th Infantry Division;
- ! Sergeant Eric Lamar Snell of Trenton, New Jersey, a member of the United States Army assigned to the 3rd Squadron, 61st Cavalry Regiment, 2nd Brigade Combat Team, 2nd Infantry Division;

- ! Corporal Ismael G. Solorio of San Luis, Arizona, a member of the United States Army assigned to the 2nd Battalion, 17th Field Artillery, 2nd Brigade Combat Team, 2nd Infantry Division;
- ! Specialist Robert Daniel Varga of Monroe City, Montana, a member of the United States Army assigned to the 984th Military Police Company, 759th Military Police Battalion, 43rd Area Support Group;
- ! Private First Class Jerimiah J. Veitch of Dibble, Oklahoma, a member of the United States Army assigned to the 2nd Battalion, 12th Infantry Regiment, 2nd Brigade Combat Team, 2nd Infantry Division;
- ! Private First Class Justin Abel Verdeja of La Puente, California, a member of the United States Army assigned to the 2nd Battalion, 12th Infantry Regiment, 2nd Brigade Combat Team, 2nd Infantry Division;
- ! Private Brett A. Walton of Hillsboro, Oregon, a member of the United States Army assigned to the 2nd Battalion, 17th Field Artillery, 2nd Brigade Combat Team, 2nd Infantry Division;
- ! Specialist Dustin Lee Workman II of Greenwood, Nebraska, a member of the United States Army assigned to the 2nd Battalion, 12th Infantry Regiment, 2nd Brigade Combat Team, 2nd Infantry Division;
- ! Private First Class Joshua Anthony Richard Young of Riddle, Oregon, a member of the United States Army assigned to the 1st Battalion, 8th Infantry Regiment, 3rd Brigade Combat Team, 4th Infantry Division; and

WHEREAS, In the last twelve months, the following United States Armed Forces members who called Colorado home made the ultimate sacrifice while serving their country in Operation Iraqi Freedom:

- ! Private First Class Jeffrey Alan Avery of Colorado Springs, Colorado, a member of the United States Army assigned to the 571st Military Police Company, 504th Military Police Battalion, 42nd Military Police Brigade, Fort Lewis, Washington;
- ! Specialist Dane Rodrigo Balcon of Colorado Springs, Colorado, a member of the United States Army assigned to the 1st Squadron, 7th Cavalry Regiment, 3rd Brigade Combat Team, 1st Cavalry Division, Fort Hood, Texas;
- ! Sergeant Ryan John Baum of Aurora, Colorado, a member of the United States Army assigned to the Headquarters and Headquarters Company, 3rd Battalion, 509th Infantry, 4th Brigade Combat Team, Fort Richardson, Alaska;
- ! Sergeant First Class Scott James Brown of Windsor, Colorado, a member of the United States Army assigned to Company A, 1st Battalion, 325th Airborne Infantry Regiment, 2nd Brigade Combat Team, 82nd Airborne Division, Fort Bragg, North Carolina;
- ! Private First Class Duncan Charles Crookston of Denver, Colorado, a member of the United States Army assigned to the 2nd Battalion, 16th Infantry Regiment, 4th Brigade Combat Team, 1st Infantry Division, Fort Riley, Kansas;
- ! Corporal Christopher Raymond Degiovine of Lone Tree, Colorado, a member of the United States Marine Corps assigned to Company A, 2nd Assault Amphibian Battalion, 6th Regimental Combat Team, 2nd Marine Division, II Marine Expeditionary Force (Forward), Camp Lejeune, North Carolina;
- ! Specialist Alun Richard Howells of Gunnison, Colorado, a member of the United States Army assigned to Company E, 1st Battalion, 64th Armor Regiment, 2nd Brigade Combat Team, 3rd Infantry Division, Fort Stewart, Georgia;

- ! Corporal Jason Kenneth Lafleur of Ignacio, Colorado, a member of the United States Army assigned to Troop B, 1st Squadron, 40th Cavalry Regiment, 4th Brigade Combat Team (Airborne), 25th Infantry Division, Fort Richardson, Alaska;
- ! Corporal Wade James Oglesby of Grand Junction, Colorado, a member of the United States Army assigned to Battery C, 1st Battalion, 37th Field Artillery, 2nd Brigade Combat Team, Fort Lewis, Washington;
- ! Major Andrew James Olmsted of Colorado Springs, Colorado, a member of the United States Army assigned to the Headquarters and Headquarters Company, 1st Brigade, 1st Infantry Division, Fort Riley, Kansas;
- ! Chief Warrant Officer Scott Oswell, a graduate of Air Academy High School in Colorado Springs, Colorado, and a member of the United States Army assigned to Troop A, 4th Squadron, 6th U.S. Air Cavalry Regiment, Fort Lewis, Washington; and

WHEREAS, In the last twelve months, the following United States Armed Forces members who called Colorado home made the ultimate sacrifice while serving their country in Afghanistan in Operation Enduring Freedom:

- ! Master Sergeant Randy Joe Gillespie of Coaldale, Colorado, a member of the United States Air Force assigned to the 56th Logistics Readiness Squadron, Luke Air Force Base, Arizona;
- ! Petty Officer Second Class Charles Luke Milam of Littleton, Colorado, a member of the United States Navy assigned to the 2nd Marine Special Operations Battalion, II Marine Expeditionary Force, Camp Lejeune, North Carolina; now, therefore,

Be It Resolved by the House of Representatives of the Sixty-sixth General Assembly of the State of Colorado, the Senate concurring herein:

That we, the members of the Sixty-sixth General Assembly of the state of Colorado:

(1) Remember and honor these Coloradans who have given their lives in service to their country in Operation Iraqi Freedom and Operation Enduring Freedom;

(2) Express our sympathy to the families and friends of those soldiers who have died; and

(3) Honor the service, dedication, and valor of all military personnel from Colorado who have served and are currently serving in Operation Iraqi Freedom and Operation Enduring Freedom.

Andrew Romanoff
SPEAKER OF THE HOUSE
OF REPRESENTATIVES

Peter C. Groff
PRESIDENT OF
THE SENATE

Marilyn Eddins
CHIEF CLERK OF THE HOUSE
OF REPRESENTATIVES

Karen Goldman
SECRETARY OF
THE SENATE