



## HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION 14-1006

**BY REPRESENTATIVE(S) Melton and Landgraf, Becker, Buck, Buckner, Conti, Coram, Court, DelGrosso, Dore, Duran, Everett, Exum, Ferrandino, Fields, Fischer, Foote, Garcia, Gardner, Gerou, Ginal, Hamner, Holbert, Hullinghorst, Humphrey, Joshi, Kagan, Kraft-Tharp, Labuda, Lawrence, Lebsock, Lee, May, McCann, McLachlan, McNulty, Mitsch Bush, Moreno, Murray, Navarro, Nordberg, Pabon, Peniston, Pettersen, Primavera, Priola, Rankin, Rosenthal, Ryden, Saine, Salazar, Schafer, Scott, Singer, Sonnenberg, Stephens, Swalm, Szabo, Tyler, Vigil, Waller, Williams, Wilson, Wright, Young;**

**also SENATOR(S) Heath and Balmer, Aguilar, Baumgardner, Brophy, Cadman, Crowder, Grantham, Guzman, Harvey, Herpin, Hill, Hodge, Jahn, Johnston, Jones, Kefalas, Kerr, King, Lambert, Lundberg, Marble, Newell, Nicholson, Renfroe, Rivera, Roberts, Scheffel, Schwartz, Steadman, Tochtrop, Todd, Ulibarri, Zenzinger, Carroll.**

**CONCERNING RECOGNITION OF MILITARY PERSONNEL FROM COLORADO WHO HAVE SERVED IN OPERATION NEW DAWN AND OPERATION ENDURING FREEDOM AND IN THE GLOBAL WAR ON TERRORISM, AND HONORING THOSE WHO HAVE DIED WHILE SERVING THEIR COUNTRY IN IRAQ, AFGHANISTAN, AND ELSEWHERE AROUND THE WORLD.**

WHEREAS, Thousands of military personnel from Colorado have served in Afghanistan in Operation Enduring Freedom, in Iraq in Operation New Dawn, and in the Global War on Terrorism, 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, Since January 2013, the following soldiers based at Fort Carson, Colorado, made the ultimate sacrifice while serving their country in Operation Enduring Freedom:

- ! Specialist Ember Marie Alt, 21, of Beech Island, South Carolina, a member of the United States Army assigned to the 32nd Transportation Company, 68th Combat Sustainment Support Battalion, 43rd Sustainment Brigade, 4th Infantry Division;
- ! Staff Sergeant Joshua James Bowden, 28, of Villa Rica, Georgia, a member of the United States Army assigned to the 748th Ordnance Company, 242nd Ordnance Battalion, 71st Ordnance Group;
- ! Specialist Robert Wayne Ellis, 21, of Kennewick, Washington, a member of the United States Army assigned to the 32nd Transportation Company, 68th Combat Sustainment Support Battalion, 43rd Sustainment Brigade, 4th Infantry Division;
- ! Specialist Charles Patrick McClure, 21, of Stratford, Oklahoma, a member of the United States Army assigned to Battery A, 4th Battalion, 42nd Field Artillery Regiment, 1st Brigade Combat Team, 4th Infantry Division;
- ! Sergeant William Robert Moody, 30, of Burleson, Texas, a member of the United States Army assigned to the 32nd Transportation Company, 68th Combat Sustainment Support Battalion, 43rd Sustainment Brigade, 4th Infantry Division;
- ! Staff Sergeant Patrick Howard Quinn, 26, of Quarryville, Pennsylvania, a member of the United States Army assigned to Company C, 3rd Battalion, 10th Special Forces Group;
- ! Staff Sergeant Joe Abraham Nunez Rodriguez, 29, of Pasadena, Texas, a member of the United States Army assigned to the 32nd Transportation Company, 68th Combat Sustainment Support Battalion, 43rd Sustainment Brigade, 4th Infantry Division;

- ! Specialist Trinidad Santiago, Jr., 25, of San Diego, California, a member of the United States Army assigned to Battery A, 4th Battalion, 42nd Field Artillery Regiment, 1st Brigade Combat Team, 4th Infantry Division; and
- ! Staff Sergeant Mark Henry Schoonhoven, 38, of Plainwell, Michigan, a member of the United States Army assigned to the 32nd Transportation Company, 68th Combat Sustainment Support Battalion, 43rd Sustainment Brigade, 4th Infantry Division; and

WHEREAS, In December 2013, Captain David Lyon, 32, of Sandpoint, Idaho, a member of the United States Air Force assigned to the 21st Logistics Readiness Squadron, based at Peterson Air Force Base, made the ultimate sacrifice while serving as part of Operation Enduring Freedom;

WHEREAS, Since January 2013, the following United States Armed Forces members who called Colorado home, but who were stationed elsewhere around the nation and the world, made the ultimate sacrifice while serving their country:

- ! Staff Sergeant Caleb Michael Medley, 26, of Burlington, a member of the United States Marines assigned to 1st Reconnaissance Battalion, based at Camp Pendleton, California;
- ! Staff Sergeant Liam Jules Nevins, 32, of Denver, a member of the United States Army assigned to Company B, 5th Battalion, 19th Special Forces Group, based at Fort Carson, Colorado, while serving as part of Operation Enduring Freedom;
- ! Specialist Rob Lee Nichols, 24, of Colorado Springs, a member of the United States Army assigned to Company B, 3rd Battalion, 15th Infantry Regiment, 4th Infantry Brigade Combat Team, 3rd Infantry Division, based at Fort Stewart, Georgia, while serving as part of Operation Enduring Freedom; and

! Corporal David Michael Sonka, 23, of Parker, a member of the United States Marine Corps assigned to 2nd Marine Special Operations Battalion, based at Camp Lejeune, North Carolina, while serving as part of Operation Enduring Freedom; now, therefore,

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

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

(1) Remember and honor these and all Coloradans who have given their lives in service to their country in Operation New Dawn, Operation Enduring Freedom, and in the Global War on Terrorism;

(2) Express our sympathy to the families and friends of those service members 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 Iraq and Afghanistan and in the Global War on Terrorism.

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