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A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION REMEMBERING THE GALLANT SERVICE AND MOURNING THE LOSS OF UNITED STATES ARMY PRIVATE FIRST CLASS PATRICIA L. HORNE OF GREENWOOD, MISSISSIPPI, WHO DIED IN THE LINE OF DUTY ON AUGUST 24, 2012, IN BAGRAM, AFGHANISTAN.

WHEREAS, United States Army Private First Class Patricia L. Horne of Greenwood, Mississippi, was lost in the line of duty on August 24, 2012, in Bagram, Afghanistan, one month after being stationed there. Friends and colleagues say the 20-year-old Mississippian was a high-performing student who became a skilled soldier. Patricia joined the Army in August 2010, and for most of her nearly three years of service, she had been stationed at Fort Campbell, Kentucky; and

WHEREAS, Private First Class Patricia Horne was a member of the 96th Aviation Support Battalion, 101st Combat Aviation Brigade of the 101st Airborne Division. Brigadier General William B. Hickman, the division's Deputy Commander, said that "Horne was an exemplary soldier who embraced the Army's values of duty, respect, selfless service, honor, integrity and courage." In the Army,

Horne was a Human Resource Specialist and ensured that soldiers' records were accurately maintained and updated. She received the Army Commendation Medal, the Army Good Conduct Medal and the NATO International Security Assistance Force Medal; and

WHEREAS, United States Army Private First Class Patricia Horne was buried with full military honors Saturday September 8, 2012, in Hudson Park Cemetery in her hometown of Greenwood, Mississippi. The *Greenwood Commonwealth* reported that more than 200 people were at the Greenwood-Leflore Airport on September 6 to pay their respects when 20-year-old Private First Class Patricia Horne's body returned to her hometown. Patricia Horne enjoyed serving her country as a member of one of the Army's elite units. "She was going to re-enlist," her mother, Betty Horne stated. "She wanted to be a doctor and the Army would fund her education"; and

WHEREAS, Mayor Carolyn McAdams said, "Patricia Horne's death is a sobering reminder of the sacrifice of men and women in uniform. You know the war is going on but when something like this happens, it hits home dramatically. Citizens need to be thankful for those who serve their country, defending freedom around the globe. My heart and my prayers go out to the family. We are most grateful for her serving"; and

WHEREAS, although originally from Opelousas, Louisiana, Private First Class Patricia Horne was a 2010 graduate of

Greenwood High School. Patricia is survived by her mother, Betty Horne, and five siblings; and

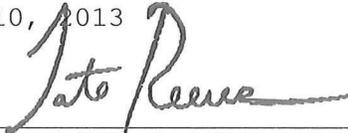
WHEREAS, since operations began in the War on Terrorism in Iraq and Afghanistan, at least 81 soldiers with Mississippi ties have died in action. Patricia Horne was a loving daughter who is counted among America's heroes committed to our nation's safety and security. To a country, a fallen soldier means a national loss; to a community, a fallen soldier means a true hero; to a parent, a fallen soldier means a daughter or sister who won't be coming home. Mississippians understand the cost of conflict, because we have paid them in the past; and it is with great pride and humility that we recognize the heroic action of this great American and Mississippian, who was the guardian of civilization as we know it today:

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE OF THE STATE OF MISSISSIPPI, THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES CONCURRING THEREIN, That we do hereby remember the gallant service and mourn the loss of United States Army Private First Class Patricia Horne of Greenwood, Mississippi, who was lost in the line of duty on August 24, 2012, in Bagram, Afghanistan, one month after she was stationed there, and extend our thoughts and prayers to her family in honor of their sacrifices and our sorrow on her passing.

BE IF FURTHER RESOLVED, That this resolution be presented to

Patricia Horne's family and made available to the Capitol Press Corps.

ADOPTED BY THE SENATE
January 10, 2013



PRESIDENT OF THE SENATE

ADOPTED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
January 15, 2013



SPEAKER OF THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES