

A JOINT RESOLUTION designating the Honor and Remember Flag as an emblem of the service and sacrifice by the brave men and women of the United States Armed Forces who have given their lives in the line of duty.

WHEREAS, while war deaths have been a part of our heritage since the birth of this nation, the United States has not instituted an official symbol commemorating fallen service members; and

WHEREAS, House Resolution 1034 of the 111th Congress designates the Honor and Remember Flag, created by Honor and Remember, Inc., to officially recognize and honor fallen members of the Armed Forces; and

WHEREAS, the Honor and Remember Flag's red field represents the brave men and women who sacrificed their lives for freedom; and

WHEREAS, the Honor and Remember Flag's blue star is a symbol of active service in military conflict that dates back to World War I; and

WHEREAS, the Honor and Remember Flag's white border recognizes the purity of sacrifice; and

WHEREAS, the Honor and Remember Flag's gold star signifies the ultimate sacrifice of a warrior in active service who is not returning home and reflects the value of life given; and

WHEREAS, the Honor and Remember Flag as a folded flag element highlights this nation's final tribute to a fallen serviceperson and a family's sacrifice; and

WHEREAS, the Honor and Remember Flag's flame symbolizes the eternal spirit of the departed; and

WHEREAS, the Honor and Remember Flag is a unifying symbol recognizing this nation's solemn debt to the estimated 1.6 million fallen service members throughout our nation's history and the families and communities who mourn their loss;

NOW, THEREFORE,

Be it resolved by the General Assembly of the Commonwealth of Kentucky:

➔Section 1. The General Assembly does hereby recognize the Honor and Remember Flag as an emblem recognizing the sacrifice and service by the brave men and women of the United States Armed Forces who have given their lives in the line of duty.

➔Section 2. The Clerk of the House of Representatives is hereby directed to transmit a copy of this Resolution to Honor and Remember Inc., P.O. Box 16834, Chesapeake, Virginia 23328; Commissioner Ken Lucas, Kentucky Department of Veterans Affairs, 1111 B Louisville Road, Frankfort, Kentucky 40601; Major General Edward W. Tonini, the Adjutant General, Kentucky Department of Military Affairs, 100 Minuteman Parkway, Frankfort, Kentucky 40601; Major General Jefforey Smith and Brigadier General Peggy Combs, First Cavalry Regiment, Fort Knox, Kentucky 40121; Major General James McConville, 2700 Indian Avenue, Fort Campbell, Kentucky 42223; Captain Richard Timme, Ohio Valley Sector, United States Coast Guard, 600 Martin Luther King, Jr. Place, Room 360, Louisville, Kentucky 40202-2242; and Brigadier General Mark Arnold, 100th Division, United States Army Reserve, 1509 Old Ironside Avenue, Building 210, Fort Knox, Kentucky 40121.