A RESOLUTION honoring First Lieutenant Richard I. St. Onge III.

WHEREAS, First Lieutenant St. Onge was born in Edgewood, Kentucky, on June 18, 1988; and

WHEREAS, First Lieutenant St. Onge attended St. Xavier High School in Cincinnati and graduated from Covington Catholic High School in Park Hills, Kentucky. He was a member of the Cincinnati Junior Rowing Club and was a gold medal recipient in the Midwest Junior Rowing Championship; and

WHEREAS, during his senior year of high school, Lieutenant St. Onge interned for Congressman Geoff Davis, becoming the youngest intern ever hired for the Congressional office; and

WHEREAS, First Lieutenant St. Onge was the recipient of the Fourth District Republican of the Year Award in 2007. He went on to work on Senate Majority Leader Mitch McConnell's 2008 campaign and was a staff member for Kentucky Senate President David Williams; and

WHEREAS, in 2012, First Lieutenant St. Onge graduated Magna Cum Laude from the University of Kentucky with a B.A. in political science, while concurrently graduating first in his ROTC class from UK. The following year, he graduated with honors from the United States Army Aviation Center in Fort Rucker, Alabama; and

WHEREAS, First Lieutenant St. Onge is currently stationed at Fort Campbell, Kentucky, where he is a platoon leader and an Apache helicopter pilot. He is scheduled for deployment to Afghanistan in April 2015; and

WHEREAS, this body hereby honors First Lieutenant St. Onge and grants him best wishes as he deploys to Afghanistan in service of his country. The members also commend his mother and their esteemed colleague, Representative Diane St. Onge, and on this day share in her pride for this young man as he continues to serve as a shining example of character, dedication, and unwavering patriotism;

NOW, THEREFORE,

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

→Section 1. The Senate honors First Lieutenant Richard I. St. Onge III and grants him best wishes as he deploys to Afghanistan in April 2015.

→Section 2. When the Senate adjourns this day, it does so in honor of First Lieutenant Richard I. St. Onge III.

→Section 3. The Clerk of the Senate is directed to transmit a copy of this Resolution to Senator Damon Thayer for delivery.