

A RESOLUTION adjourning the Senate in loving memory and honor of Specialist Christopher A. Landis.

With deepest respect and admiration, we pay homage and tribute to Specialist Christopher A. Landis, and we pause in silent reverence for his soul.

WHEREAS, Specialist Christopher A. Landis, of Independence, Kentucky, was born on October 28, 1986, and he traversed these earthly bounds on February 10, 2014; and

WHEREAS, Specialist Christopher A. Landis was the beloved son of Edward and Carol Jeanne Landis, and the doting brother of Adrian, Ted, and Andrea Landis, and he leaves behind many other family members who loved him dearly; and

WHEREAS, Specialist Christopher A. Landis was a graduate of Calvary Christian School in 2004 and Grove City College in 2009, with a degree in History; and

WHEREAS, Specialist Christopher A. Landis enlisted the Army in 2011 and was assigned to 2nd Battalion, 3rd Special Forces Group (Airborne) at Fort Bragg, North Carolina. While in the Army, Specialist Landis enlisted as a cryptologic linguist and was deployed to Afghanistan in August 2013 as part of Operation Enduring Freedom; and

WHEREAS, the life of Specialist Christopher A. Landis ended prematurely of injuries sustained from an enemy rocket-propelled grenade in Kapisa Province, Afghanistan; and

WHEREAS, Specialist Christopher A. Landis's awards and decorations include the Purple Heart, the Army Commendation Medal, the National Defense Service Medal, the Afghanistan Campaign Medal with Campaign Star, the Global War on Terrorism Service Medal, the Army Service Ribbon, the Overseas Service Ribbon, the North Atlantic Treaty Organization Medal, the Combat Action Badge, and the Parachutist Badge; and

WHEREAS, the Commonwealth of Kentucky has the highest respect for Specialist Christopher A. Landis and is deeply grateful for the ultimate sacrifice he made for the freedom of all Americans; and

WHEREAS, the passing of Specialist Christopher A. Landis has left a void that cannot be filled, and he is mourned across the length and breadth of the Commonwealth;

NOW, THEREFORE,

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

➔Section 1. The Senate expresses its profound sense of sorrow upon the passing of Specialist Christopher A. Landis and extends to his family and many friends its most heartfelt sympathy.

➔Section 2. When the Senate adjourns this day, it does so in loving memory and honor of Specialist Christopher A. Landis.

➔Section 3. The Clerk of the Senate is directed to transmit a copy of this Resolution to Senator Damon Thayer, Capitol Annex, Room 242, for delivery to the family.