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House Concurrent Resolution 25

Sponsored by Representative PILUSO

Whereas Sergeant Adam Plumondore was born on October 5, 1982, to Daniel and Elfriede Plumondore; and

Whereas Sergeant Adam Plumondore grew up in Gresham, Oregon, and attended Gresham High School, where he competed in track, baseball and football before graduating in 2001; and

Whereas Sergeant Adam Plumondore enlisted in the United States Army after graduation to serve his country and gain valuable experience toward his goal of becoming a police officer; and

Whereas Sergeant Adam Plumondore was a world-class sniper, placing third in the 2003 United States Army International Sniper Competition; and

Whereas assigned to the 1st Battalion, 24th Infantry Regiment, 1st Brigade, 25th Infantry Division, based at Fort Lewis in Washington, Sergeant Adam Plumondore was deployed to Iraq in October 2004, three days before the expected end of his military service; and

Whereas Sergeant Adam Plumondore was killed on patrol in Mosul, Iraq, on February 16, 2005, when an improvised explosive device detonated near his Stryker vehicle; and

Whereas vehicle commander that day, Sergeant Adam Plumondore had been riding in an open air hatch that provided good lines of sight for protecting the lives of his platoon members, which he put above all else, but that left him exposed; and

Whereas Sergeant Adam Plumondore's numerous military awards and decorations include a Bronze Star with V device for Valor, Bronze Star, Purple Heart, Army Commendation Medal with V device for Valor, Army Commendation Medal, and three Army Achievement Medals; and

Whereas Sergeant Adam Plumondore also earned the Expert Infantryman Badge, Combat Infantryman Badge, Expert Rifle Badge and Valorous Unit Award; and

Whereas in addition to time spent with his close-knit family, Sergeant Adam Plumondore loved fishing, hunting, country and western music, his pickup truck, his cowboy hat, riding motorcycles and quads and being in the outdoors; and

Whereas Sergeant Adam Plumondore stood at six-feet, two-inches and had an easy-going nature, quick sense of humor and ability to find the positive in everything that earned him the nickname the "Gentle Giant"; and

Whereas in December 2004, Sergeant Adam Plumondore assisted in the rescue of six wounded soldiers from a burning vehicle and then engaged the enemy in a firefight; and

Whereas Sergeant Adam Plumondore was deeply respected for his leadership and courage, and his fellow soldiers credited him with saving their lives countless times; and

Whereas though he was a soldier who tended to go on patrol with his chin strap unfastened and his sleeves rolled up, causing his commanding officer to jest that he was a "walking uniform violation," Sergeant Adam Plumondore exhibited pinpoint precision where it counted most—in his duties as a sniper, protecting the lives of the soldiers in his platoon; and

Whereas Sergeant Adam Plumondore is survived by his parents, Daniel and Elfriede Plumondore, and his brother, Ron Plumondore; now, therefore,

Be It Resolved by the Legislative Assembly of the State of Oregon:

That we, the members of the Seventy-ninth Legislative Assembly, recognize and honor Sergeant Adam Plumondore for his service to his country.

Adopted by House May 1, 2017

Readopted by House June 5, 2017

Timothy G. Sekerak, Chief Clerk of House

Tina Kotek, Speaker of House

Adopted by Senate May 31, 2017

Peter Courtney, President of Senate