**A** **CONCURRENT RESOLUTION**

TO HONOR AND REMEMBER THE SUPREME SACRIFICE MADE BY SERGEANT ADAM M. WENGER OF THE UNITED STATES ARMY WHILE HE WAS SERVING A TOUR OF MILITARY DUTY IN IRAQ, AND TO EXPRESS TO HIS FAMILY THE DEEPEST APPRECIATION OF A GRATEFUL STATE AND NATION FOR HIS LIFE, SACRIFICE, AND SERVICE.

Whereas, the members of the South Carolina General Assembly, on behalf of all South Carolinians, acknowledge with deep appreciation the great sacrifice that the men and women of the United States Armed Forces make for the ideals of freedom and justice, which are so richly enjoyed in this nation; and

Whereas, Sergeant Adam M. Wenger of the United States Army stands high among those servicemen and women so honored by their country; and

Whereas, as a committed serviceman, Sergeant Adam M. Wenger was assigned to the 1st Battalion, 76th Field Artillery, 4th Brigade Combat Team, 3rd Infantry Division at Fort Stewart, Georgia. Answering the call of his country, this Mount Pleasant native left his beloved family behind in Waterford, Michigan, to serve in Iraq, having previously completed tours of duty in Kosovo, Afghanistan, and Iraq; and

Whereas, on November 5, 2008, at the age of twenty‑seven, Sergeant Wenger lost his life in Tunnis, Iraq, while supporting Operation Iraqi Freedom; and

Whereas, he leaves his wife, Brandy M. Wenger; his two young children, daughter Aubrey Wenger, five, and son Adam Matthew Wenger, three; his mother, Jo Wenger; and his brother and sister‑in‑law, David and Kate Wenger; and

Whereas, there is no greater or more courageous sacrifice a man can make than to lay down his life for a noble cause, as Sergeant Wenger has done, and to honor his valor, Sergeant Wenger has been named a recipient of the Lieutenant Governor’s Palmetto Patriot Award; and

Whereas, the South Carolina General Assembly counts it a great privilege to remember Sergeant Adam M. Wenger, one of the Palmetto State’s finest, and the members with one voice offer their grateful thanks to Almighty God for the service and ultimate sacrifice of this heroic son of South Carolina. Now, therefore,

Be it resolved by the Senate, the House of Representatives concurring:

That the members of the South Carolina General Assembly, by this resolution, honor and remember the supreme sacrifice made by Sergeant Adam M. Wenger of the United States Army while he was serving a tour of military duty in Iraq, and express to his family the deepest appreciation of a grateful State and nation for his life, sacrifice, and service.

Be it further resolved that a copy of this resolution be presented to the family of Sergeant Adam M. Wenger.

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