

Regular Session, 2013

HOUSE RESOLUTION NO. 113

BY REPRESENTATIVE LORUSSO

CONDOLENCES: Expresses condolences upon the death of Chief Warrant Officer Bryan James Henderson of Winnsboro

1 A RESOLUTION

2 To express the condolences of the House of Representatives of the Legislature of Louisiana  
3 upon the death of United States Army Chief Warrant Officer Bryan James  
4 Henderson, of Winnsboro, Louisiana.

5 WHEREAS, it is with profound sadness that the members of the House of  
6 Representatives have learned of the death of United States Army Chief Warrant Officer  
7 Bryan James Henderson, who was killed in the service of his country on March 11, 2013,  
8 in Afghanistan; and

9 WHEREAS, on June 29, 1985, Jimmy and Kim Henderson proudly welcomed the  
10 arrival of their newborn son, Bryan James Henderson, to Monroe, Louisiana; and

11 WHEREAS, growing up with a love of the outdoors, young Bryan hunted, fished,  
12 skied, scuba dived, and camped, all of which served as preparation for the rigors of military  
13 life; and

14 WHEREAS, Bryan Henderson graduated from Winnsboro High School and  
15 completed his secondary education at the University of Louisiana at Monroe in 2006,  
16 graduating with a bachelor of science degree in aviation; and

17 WHEREAS, heeding the call of his country, Bryan Henderson enlisted in the United  
18 States Army in 2007, where he immediately went to work, attached to the 4th Battalion, 3rd  
19 Aviation Regiment, 3rd Combat Aviation Brigade, 3rd Infantry Division based at Hunter  
20 Army Airfield in Georgia; and

1           WHEREAS, Chief Warrant Officer Henderson served the United States Army with  
2 great courage and valor as evidenced by his receipt of two Army Commendation medals, the  
3 Army Achievement Medal, the National Defense Service Medal, the Afghanistan Campaign  
4 Medal with a Bronze Service Star, the Iraq Campaign Medal with a Bronze Service Star, the  
5 Global War on Terrorism Service Medal, the Army Service Ribbon Overseas, the Service  
6 Ribbon NATO Medal, the Army Meritorious Unit Commendation, the Overseas Service Bar,  
7 and the Posthumous Combat Action Badge; and

8           WHEREAS, Chief Warrant Officer Henderson was a front-line fighter in the war on  
9 terrorism, a soldier in Operation Enduring Freedom who was on his second deployment and  
10 was a pilot onboard the helicopter which tragically crashed and ended his life in its twenty-  
11 seventh year; and

12           WHEREAS, Chief Warrant Officer Henderson left an indelible mark on the staff and  
13 students of his high school alma mater, some seven hundred fifty of whom attended a  
14 memorial service in his honor; and

15           WHEREAS, Chief Warrant Officer Henderson's passion for his country and  
16 community will forever remain in the hearts and minds of his wife, Trista Henderson, his  
17 daughter, Aria Cruz Johnson, his brother, Seth Henderson, parents, and family members; and

18           WHEREAS, the sacrifices made by the great men and women who protect and  
19 defend the Constitution and these United States must always be acknowledged by those who  
20 are left behind to honor their memory; and

21           WHEREAS, it is with great pride that the House of Representatives records for  
22 posterity the extraordinary dedication and commitment to his country that Chief Warrant  
23 Officer Henderson displayed throughout his life and in the performance of his duties in the  
24 military service.

25           THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the members of the House of Representatives  
26 of the Legislature of Louisiana do hereby express their condolences and most heartfelt  
27 sorrow to the family of United States Army Chief Warrant Officer Bryan James Henderson  
28 and do hereby acknowledge and record for posterity the unique and special contributions of  
29 Chief Warrant Officer Henderson to the town of Winnsboro, to Franklin Parish, to the state  
30 of Louisiana, and to the United States of America.

1           BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a suitable copy of this Resolution be transmitted  
2 to Mrs. Trista Henderson.

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