

THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

HOUSE RESOLUTION

No. 888 Session of 2010

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INTRODUCED AS NONCONTROVERSIAL RESOLUTION UNDER RULE 35, AUGUST 16, 2010

A RESOLUTION

1 Extending condolences to the family of Private First Class David
2 Anthony Jefferson, who died July 2, 2010, in Kandahar,
3 Afghanistan, of injuries sustained when insurgents attacked
4 his unit using an improvised explosive device.

5 WHEREAS, Private First Class (PFC) David Anthony Jefferson
6 was the son of two Army veterans and brother of a member of the
7 Air Force, so service to our country was second nature to him;
8 and

1 WHEREAS, A lifelong resident of Philadelphia, PFC Jefferson
2 attended Lankenau High School in Germantown and entered the
3 military to follow the family tradition; and

4 WHEREAS, PFC Jefferson, a medic, was assigned to the 1st
5 Battalion, 502nd Infantry Regiment, 2nd Brigade Combat Team,
6 101st Airborne Division (Air Assault), at Fort Campbell,
7 Kentucky; and

8 WHEREAS, PFC Jefferson was deployed to Afghanistan in May in
9 support of Operation Enduring Freedom and died July 2, 2010, in
10 Kandahar of injuries sustained when insurgents attacked his unit
11 using an improvised explosive device; and

12 WHEREAS, When PFC Jefferson's body arrived at Dover Air Force
13 Base on Sunday evening, July 4, his father, a 30-year Army
14 veteran, was there for him and for the customary ceremony of a
15 fallen soldier; and

16 WHEREAS, PFC Jefferson, who was predeceased by his mother,
17 Annette, is survived by his wife, Darniece T. Melton-Jefferson;
18 his son, Ian; his father, James; his brother, William; his
19 grandmother, Mildred; and a large family who will always
20 remember him as a quiet, caring, calm and loving young man; and

21 WHEREAS, PFC Jefferson courageously gave his life and paid
22 the ultimate sacrifice in the defense of our country, and he
23 will always be remembered for his heroism; therefore be it

24 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives extend
25 condolences to the family of Private First Class David Anthony
26 Jefferson, who died July 2, 2010, in Kandahar, Afghanistan, of
27 injuries sustained when insurgents attacked his unit using an
28 improvised explosive device; and be it further

29 RESOLVED, That a copy of this resolution be transmitted to
30 his wife, Darniece Melton-Jefferson, and grandmother, Mildred

1 Jefferson, at 1454 W Sparks St. Philadelphia PA 19141.