

THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

HOUSE RESOLUTION

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2019

INTRODUCED BY RYAN, TURZAI, JONES, SAYLOR, KORTZ, COX, GREINER, SONNEY, BURNS, CALTAGIRONE, HARKINS, POLINCHOCK, STRUZZI, DONATUCCI, SCHLEGEL CULVER, LONGIETTI, HENNESSEY, METZGAR, STAATS, FREEMAN, OBERLANDER, ROTHMAN, DIAMOND, ZABEL, HAHN, KINSEY, SANKEY, PICKETT, MILLARD, THOMAS, T. DAVIS, TOEPEL, PASHINSKI, PYLE, YOUNGBLOOD, F. KELLER, BERNSTINE, READSHAW, BOROWICZ, SAINATO, HILL-EVANS, SAMUELSON, MOUL, COMITTA, EVERETT, GABLER, SNYDER, WHEELAND, CAUSER, CARROLL, SCHMITT, KEEFER, NEILSON, KLUNK, ECKER, HOWARD, WARREN, DeLUCA, REESE, MARKOSEK, DEASY AND GILLEN, APRIL 29, 2019

INTRODUCED AS NONCONTROVERSIAL RESOLUTION UNDER RULE 35,
APRIL 29, 2019

A RESOLUTION

- 1 Honoring the life and service of Staff Sergeant Benjamin S. ◀
2 Hines, who tragically lost his life in the line of duty while
3 serving the United States Marine Corps, and extending
4 condolences to his family and friends.
- 5 WHEREAS, On April 8, 2019, Staff Sergeant Benjamin S. Hines ◀
6 was one of three United States Marines killed in the line of
7 duty while conducting combat operations near Bagram Airfield,
8 Bagram, Afghanistan; and
- 9 WHEREAS, Staff Sergeant Hines was from York County and ◀
10 graduated in 2006 from Dallastown Area High School; and
- 11 WHEREAS, He was a member of the ROTC and the football team
12 while in high school; and
- 13 WHEREAS, After high school, he joined the United States
14 Marine Corps and completed his recruit training in January 2007;

1 and

2 WHEREAS, He was serving in his third deployment, and over the
3 course of his career he had earned several medals, including a
4 Navy and Marine Corps Achievement Medal, an Afghanistan Campaign
5 Medal, two Iraq Campaign Medals and a Meritorious Mast
6 signifying noteworthy performance; and

7 WHEREAS, Two of the fallen Marines were assigned to 2nd
8 Battalion, 25th Marine Regiment, 4th Marine Division; and

9 WHEREAS, Staff Sergeant Hines' unit was based in Harrisburg, ◀
10 Pennsylvania; and

11 WHEREAS, The men had deployed to Afghanistan in October 2018
12 as part of a program in which Marines train and advise Georgian
13 infantry troops on the NATO mission; and

14 WHEREAS, Tragically, the three men were just 10 days from
15 returning home; therefore be it

16 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives honor the life
17 and service of Staff Sergeant Benjamin S. Hines, who tragically ◀
18 lost his life in the line of duty while serving the United
19 States Marine Corps, and extending condolences to his family and
20 friends.