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HOUSE RESOLUTION NO. 113

BY REPRESENTATIVES LORUSSO, ABRAMSON, ADAMS, ANDERS, ARMES, ARNOLD, BADON, BARRAS, BARROW, BERTHELOT, BILLIOT, STUART BISHOP, WESLEY BISHOP, BROADWATER, BROSSETT, BROWN, BURFORD, HENRY BURNS, TIM BURNS, BURRELL, CARMODY, CARTER, CHAMPAGNE, CHANEY, CONNICK, COX, CROMER, DANAHAY, DIXON, DOVE, EDWARDS, FANNIN, FOIL, FRANKLIN, GAINES, GAROFALO, GEYMANN, GISCLAIR, GREENE, GUILLORY, GUINN, HARRIS, HARRISON, HAVARD, HAZEL, HENRY, HENSGENS, HILL, HODGES, HOFFMANN, HOLLIS, HONORE, HOWARD, HUNTER, HUVAL, IVEY, GIROD JACKSON, KATRINA JACKSON, JAMES, JEFFERSON, JOHNSON, JONES, KLECKLEY, LAMBERT, NANCY LANDRY, TERRY LANDRY, LEBAS, LEGER, LEOPOLD, LOPINTO, MACK, MILLER, MONTOUCET, MORENO, JAY MORRIS, JIM MORRIS, NORTON, ORTEGO, PEARSON, PIERRE, PONTI, POPE, PRICE, PUGH, PYLANT, REYNOLDS, RICHARD, RITCHIE, ROBIDEAUX, SCHEXNAYDER, SCHRODER, SEABAUGH, SHADOIN, SIMON, SMITH, ST. GERMAIN, STOKES, TALBOT, THIBAUT, THIERRY, THOMPSON, WHITNEY, ALFRED WILLIAMS, PATRICK WILLIAMS, AND WILLMOTT

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A RESOLUTION

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

29 THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the members of the House of Representatives
30 of the Legislature of Louisiana do hereby express their condolences and most heartfelt
31 sorrow to the family of United States Army Chief Warrant Officer Bryan James Henderson

1 and do hereby acknowledge and record for posterity the unique and special contributions of
2 Chief Warrant Officer Henderson to the town of Winnsboro, to Franklin Parish, to the state
3 of Louisiana, and to the United States of America.

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

SPEAKER OF THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES