
THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

SENATE RESOLUTION

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REFERRED TO RULES AND EXECUTIVE NOMINATIONS, JANUARY 21, 2021

A RESOLUTION

1 Honoring the life and service of United States Capitol Police
2 officer Brian Sicknick.

3 WHEREAS, United States Capitol Police Officer Brian Sicknick,
4 a 42-year-old native of South River, New Jersey, passed away on
5 January 7, 2021, from injuries sustained while defending the
6 United States Capitol building from an angry mob; and

7 WHEREAS, Officer Sicknick was a 12-year veteran of the United
8 States Capitol Police with a record of honorable and dedicated
9 service; and

10 WHEREAS, Prior to his tenure as a police officer, Officer
11 Sicknick was a member of the New Jersey Air National Guard who
12 deployed to Saudi Arabia in 1999 and to Kyrgyzstan following the
13 terrorist attacks on September 11, 2001, in support of military
14 operations in Afghanistan, and was honorably discharged in 2003;
15 and

16 WHEREAS, Officer Sicknick not only dedicated his life to
17 public service but he also passionately participated in public
18 discourse over United States foreign policy while still

1 demonstrating compassion for those with whom he disagreed; and

2 WHEREAS, In the afternoon of January 6, 2021, while an angry
3 mob stormed the United States Capitol Building in an attempt to
4 prevent Congress from certifying the results of the 2020
5 Electoral College, Officer Sicknick did his duty and fought to
6 protect members of Congress, staff and others present inside of
7 the Capitol building; and

8 WHEREAS, During the incursion, Officer Sicknick sustained
9 head injuries after allegedly being struck when a protestor
10 threw a fire extinguisher while trying to illegally enter the
11 Capitol building; and

12 WHEREAS, The injuries Officer Sicknick sustained led to his
13 unfortunate passing the following day, January 7, 2021; and

14 WHEREAS, Officer Sicknick has been described as a hero for
15 his bravery in fighting back against a crowd while vastly
16 outnumbered, but fulfilled his sworn duty nonetheless; and

17 WHEREAS, In recognition of his service to the nation, Speaker
18 of the United States House of Representatives Nancy Pelosi
19 ordered flags to half mast in his honor; and

20 WHEREAS, Tributes to his honorable service have poured in
21 from officials around the United States; therefore be it

22 RESOLVED, That the Senate honor the life and service of
23 United States Capitol Police Officer Brian Sicknick, commend him
24 for his heroic commitment to duty and offer condolences to his
25 family.