

119TH CONGRESS
1ST SESSION

S. J. RES. 79

Honoring the sacrifice of Marine Corps Lance Corporal David L. Espinoza, Marine Corps Sergeant Nicole L. Gee, Marine Corps Staff Sergeant Darin Taylor Hoover, Army Staff Sergeant Ryan Christian Knauss, Marine Corps Corporal Hunter Lopez, Marine Corps Lance Corporal Rylee J. McCollum, Marine Corps Lance Corporal Dylan R. Merola, Marine Corps Lance Corporal Kareem M. Nikoui, Marine Corps Corporal Daegan W. Page, Marine Corps Sergeant Johanny Rosario, Marine Corps Corporal Humberto A. Sanchez, Marine Corps Lance Corporal Jared M. Schmitz, and Navy Petty Officer Third Class Maxton W. Soviak.

IN THE SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES

SEPTEMBER 17 (legislative day, SEPTEMBER 16), 2025

Mr. MULLIN (for himself, Mr. TUBERVILLE, Mr. COTTON, Mr. JUSTICE, Mr. CORNYN, Mr. MARSHALL, Mrs. FISCHER, Mr. DAINES, Mr. CRAMER, Mr. SCOTT of Florida, Mr. HOEVEN, Mrs. CAPITO, Mr. BUDD, Mrs. MOODY, Mr. HAWLEY, Mr. RICKETTS, Mr. CASSIDY, Mr. BOOZMAN, and Mr. SCHMITT) introduced the following joint resolution; which was read twice and referred to the Committee on the Judiciary

JOINT RESOLUTION

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Corporal Humberto A. Sanchez, Marine Corps Lance
 Corporal Jared M. Schmitz, and Navy Petty Officer
 Third Class Maxton W. Soviak.

Whereas the young men and women who perished as a result
 of the bombing at Abbey Gate on August 26, 2021, rep-
 resent the best of the United States of America;

Whereas their service secured the blessings of liberty for the
 United States of America and the people of Afghanistan
 from those who sought to harm it;

Whereas their actions during the withdrawal of United States
 forces from Afghanistan saved the lives of thousands of
 innocents from the tyranny of the Taliban; and

Whereas their ultimate sacrifice on the 26th day of August
 2021 was not made in vain, and so long as their grateful
 Nation draws breath, their faithful service in the cause
 of liberty shall not be forgotten: Now, therefore, be it

1 *Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives*
 2 *of the United States of America in Congress assembled,*
 3 That the United States of America—

4 (1) designates a National Day of Remembrance
 5 in honor of the American servicemembers who made
 6 the ultimate sacrifice at the bombing of Abbey Gate
 7 at the Hamid Karzai International Airport in Kabul,
 8 Afghanistan, on August 26, 2021;

9 (2) expresses its deepest condolences and grati-
 10 tude to the Gold Star Families of those lost at
 11 Abbey Gate; and

- 1 (3) remembers their honorable and faithful
2 service to their Nation.

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