House Concurrent Resolution 207

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SUMMARY

The following summary is not prepared by the sponsors of the measure and is not a part of the body thereof subject to consideration by the Legislative Assembly. It is an editor's brief statement of the essential features of the measure **as introduced.**

Recognizes and honors Sergeant Donald R. Walters (1969-2003) for his service to his country.

CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

Whereas Sergeant Donald R. Walters was born on September 16, 1969, in Colorado Springs, Colorado, and raised by Norman and Arlene Walters; and

Whereas the Walters family moved to Oregon in 1981, and Sergeant Walters graduated from North Salem High School in 1988; and

Whereas following in his father's footsteps, Sergeant Walters enlisted in the United States Army, serving in the Persian Gulf War and guarding Iraqi prisoners; and

Whereas Sergeant Walters was in and out of the Army after 1991 as he struggled with his experiences in the Persian Gulf War, but after the September 11 attacks in 2001, Sergeant Walters was convinced he needed to serve his country again; and

Whereas Sergeant Walters believed in freedom and was prepared to lay down his life for his family and his country; and

Whereas Sergeant Walters died on March 23, 2003, after he was captured by Iraqi fighters in an ambush near Nasiriyah, Iraq, and executed; and

Whereas Sergeant Walters' family was presented with the Silver Star and Purple Heart for his heroic actions in combat; and

Whereas Sergeant Walters was known for his good work ethic, his kind demeanor, his willingness to protect others and his desire to serve, and for being one of the most motivated soldiers; and

Whereas Sergeant Walters is survived by his wife, Stacie, his three daughters, Monica, Danielle and Amber Rose, and his parents; now, therefore,

Be It Resolved by the Legislative Assembly of the State of Oregon:

That we, the members of the Seventy-eighth Legislative Assembly, recognize and honor Sergeant Donald R. Walters for his service to his country.

NOTE: Matter in **boldfaced** type in an amended section is new; matter [*italic and bracketed*] is existing law to be omitted. New sections are in **boldfaced** type.