HCR 6 STAFF MEASURE SUMMARY

House Committee On Veterans and Emergency Preparedness

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Meeting Dates: 2/9

WHAT THE MEASURE DOES:

Recognizes and honors Lance Corporal Dale G. Peterson, United States Marine Corps, who was killed in action on April 23, 2007 while on patrol in Fallujah, Al Anbar Province, Iraq.

ISSUES DISCUSSED:

EFFECT OF AMENDMENT:

BACKGROUND:

Lance Corporal Peterson was born to Greg and Dorothy Peterson on September 7, 1986, in Bend, Oregon. He was raised in Burns, Oregon and graduated from Redmond High School in 2005. Later that year, he enlisted in the United States Marine Corps. He was an academic honor graduate of the Basic Combat Engineer Course, where he earned the Rifle Expert Badge. In 2006, he married Regina Riser, who also later enlisted in the Marine Corps.

Lance Corporal Peterson was a combat engineer, and was attached to 2nd Battalion, 6th Marine Regiment, during Operation Iraqi Freedom. In March 2007, he deployed to Iraq. On April 23, 2007, he was killed in action when an improvised explosive device (IED) struck his vehicle while his squadron was on patrol in Fallujah, Iraq.

Lance Corporal Peterson loved several activities including hunting, fishing, working on old cars and being outdoors in the mountains of Oregon.

Lance Corporal Peterson is survived by his wife Regina Peterson, his mother Dorothy Peterson, his father Greg Peterson, and his three sisters, Melissa Davies, Marci Sullens, and Mandy Peterson.