

House Concurrent Resolution 25

Sponsored by Representative PILUSO

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 Adam Plumondore (1982-2005) for his service to his country.

CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

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2 Whereas Sergeant Adam Plumondore was born on October 5, 1982, to Daniel and Elfriede
3 Plumondore; and

4 Whereas Sergeant Adam Plumondore grew up in Gresham, Oregon, and attended Gresham High
5 School, where he competed in track, baseball and football before graduating in 2001; and

6 Whereas Sergeant Adam Plumondore enlisted in the United States Army after graduation to
7 serve his country and gain valuable experience toward his goal of becoming a police officer; and

8 Whereas Sergeant Adam Plumondore was a world-class sniper, placing third in the 2003 United
9 States Army International Sniper Competition; and

10 Whereas assigned to the 1st Battalion, 24th Infantry Regiment, 1st Brigade, 25th Infantry Divi-
11 sion, based at Fort Lewis in Washington, Sergeant Adam Plumondore was deployed to Iraq in Oc-
12 tober 2004, three days before the expected end of his military service; and

13 Whereas Sergeant Adam Plumondore was killed on patrol in Mosul, Iraq, on February 16, 2005,
14 when an improvised explosive device detonated near his Stryker vehicle; and

15 Whereas vehicle commander that day, Sergeant Adam Plumondore had been riding in a open air
16 hatch that provided good lines of sight for protecting the lives of his platoon members, which he put
17 above all else, but that left him exposed; and

18 Whereas Sergeant Adam Plumondore's numerous military awards and decorations include a
19 Bronze Star with V device for Valor, Bronze Star, Purple Heart, Army Commendation Medal with
20 V device for Valor, Army Commendation Medal, and three Army Achievement Medals; and

21 Whereas Sergeant Adam Plumondore also earned the Expert Infantryman Badge, Combat
22 Infantryman Badge, Expert Rifle Badge and Valorous Unit Award; and

23 Whereas in addition to time spent with his close-knit family, Sergeant Adam Plumondore loved
24 fishing, hunting, country and western music, his pickup truck, his cowboy hat, riding motorcycles
25 and quads and being in the outdoors; and

26 Whereas Sergeant Adam Plumondore stood at six-feet, two-inches and had an easy-going nature,
27 quick sense of humor and ability to find the positive in everything that earned him the nickname
28 the "Gentle Giant"; and

29 Whereas in December 2004, Sergeant Adam Plumondore saved six wounded soldiers from a
30 burning vehicle and then engaged the enemy in a firefight; and

31 Whereas Sergeant Adam Plumondore was deeply respected for his leadership and courage, and
32 his fellow soldiers credited him with saving their lives countless times; and

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.

1 Whereas though he was a soldier who tended to go on patrol with his chin strap unfastened and
2 his sleeves rolled up, causing his commanding officer to jest that he was a “walking uniform vio-
3 lation,” Sergeant Adam Plumondore exhibited pinpoint precision where it counted most—in his du-
4 ties as a sniper, protecting the lives of the soldiers in his platoon; and

5 Whereas Sergeant Adam Plumondore is survived by his parents, Daniel and Elfriede
6 Plumondore, and his brother, Ron Plumondore; now, therefore,

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

8 That we, the members of the Seventy-ninth Legislative Assembly, recognize and honor Sergeant
9 Adam Plumondore for his service to his country.

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