SENATE AMENDMENTS TO
SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION 204
By COMMITTEE ON VETERANS AND EMERGENCY PREPAREDNESS
February 8

Delete line 2 of the printed concurrent resolution and insert:

“Whereas Sergeant Sean Patrick Fennerty was born on July 2, 1981, in San Diego, California, while his father was on active duty in the United States Navy; and

“Whereas the Fennerty family moved to Tucson, Arizona, where Sergeant Fennerty attended Fruchthendler Elementary School and St. Cyril School; and

“Whereas Sergeant Fennerty remained close to his childhood friends in Tucson, and his time in San Diego and Tucson made him a lifelong fan of the San Diego Padres, San Diego Chargers and University of Arizona athletics, especially the basketball team; and

“Whereas the Fennerty family moved to Portland, Oregon, where Sergeant Fennerty attended St. Thomas More Catholic School for eighth grade and graduated from Jesuit High School in 1999; and

“Whereas in 2004, Sergeant Fennerty graduated from Oregon State University, where he majored in history, was a supervisor in the intramural sports program and was a member of the Sigma Pi fraternity; and

“Whereas Sergeant Fennerty was a fan of Oregon State University athletics, especially the football team, and he ended every electronic mail message from Iraq with ‘Go Beavers!’; and

“Whereas Sergeant Fennerty joined the United States Army in 2004 and, although he was steered toward Officer Candidate School, he chose to become an enlisted infantry soldier; and

“Whereas Sergeant Fennerty was deployed to Iraq with the 509th Infantry (Airborne), 4th Brigade Combat Team, 25th Infantry Division; and

“Whereas Sergeant Fennerty was killed on January 20, 2007, in Anbar Province, while riding in a military vehicle that was struck by a roadside explosive device; and

“Whereas Sergeant Fennerty was posthumously awarded a Purple Heart and Bronze Star; and

“Whereas Sergeant Fennerty was known for his fierce loyalty and pride in his country, his fellow soldiers, the schools he attended, his friends and family, his Irish heritage and his Catholic faith; and

“Whereas Sergeant Fennerty loved children and volunteered with the Police Activities League in Portland; and

“Whereas Sergeant Fennerty enjoyed skiing, fishing, reading and spending time with friends and family; and

“Whereas Sergeant Fennerty hoped to become a high school history teacher after his military service; and

“Whereas Sergeant Fennerty will be remembered for his hearty laugh, huge bear hugs and fantastic grin; and

“Whereas Sergeant Fennerty was survived by his parents, Dr. M. Brian and Maureen Fennerty,
and siblings, Kelly, Colleen and Conor Fennerty; and

"Whereas Chief Warrant Officer 3 Jonathan Shelby Gibson was born on February 15, 1981, in
Fairbanks, Alaska; and

"Whereas Chief Warrant Officer 3 Gibson lived in many places due to his father’s military ca-
reer, including Alaska, Kentucky and Germany; and

"Whereas Chief Warrant Officer 3 Gibson loved baseball and played on his school teams; and

"Whereas Chief Warrant Officer 3 Gibson graduated from Central Hardin High School in
Kentucky in 1999; and

"Whereas Chief Warrant Officer 3 Gibson visited Oregon many times while growing up, staying
on his grandparents’ farm in Aurora and, following his high school graduation, he moved there to
live with his father; and

"Whereas Chief Warrant Officer 3 Gibson enlisted in the United States Navy in 1999 and spent
the following nine years at Naval Air Station North Island in San Diego, California, where he served
as a rescue swimmer and an air warfare specialist; and

"Whereas Chief Warrant Officer 3 Gibson also served as a helicopter crew chief and completed
two sea deployments, serving primarily in the Middle East; and

"Whereas in 2008, Chief Warrant Officer 3 Gibson applied to flight school, which he attended
from 2009 to 2011 in Pensacola, Florida; and

"Whereas in 2011, Chief Warrant Officer 3 Gibson returned to San Diego as a pilot and was
assigned to Helicopter Sea Combat Squadron SIX, nicknamed the ‘Screamin’ Indians’; and

"Whereas in February 2013, Chief Warrant Officer 3 Gibson and his squadron were deployed to
the Middle East in support of Operation Enduring Freedom; and

"Whereas Chief Warrant Officer 3 Gibson was killed on September 22, 2013, when his helicopter
crashed while trying to land aboard the USS William P. Lawrence in heavy seas; and

"Whereas Chief Warrant Officer 3 Gibson was a proud naval aviator who earned numerous
achievement and commendation medals and awards during his exemplary career; and

"Whereas Chief Warrant Officer 3 Gibson completed a college degree while serving in the Navy; and

"Whereas Chief Warrant Officer 3 Gibson hoped to become a flight instructor in the Navy and
to become an aeronautical engineer after his retirement from the Navy; and

"Whereas Chief Warrant Officer 3 Gibson enjoyed surfing, golfing, mountain biking, motorcycles
and playing with his children; and

"Whereas Chief Warrant Officer 3 Gibson was known for his strong sense of duty and as a kind,
loving and generous man who was devoted to his family; and

"Whereas Chief Warrant Officer 3 Gibson was survived by his wife, Christina Gibson, children,
Makaylin and Alexander Gibson, father and stepmother, Scott and Kelly Gibson, mother and
stepfather, Jo Ann and Mike Lake, and brother, Sergeant First Class James Gibson; now,
therefore.".

In line 4, after “honor” insert “Sergeant Sean Patrick Fennerty and Chief Warrant Officer 3
Jonathan Shelby Gibson for their service to their country.”.

Delete line 5.