

THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

HOUSE RESOLUTION

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INTRODUCED AS NONCONTROVERSIAL RESOLUTION UNDER RULE 35, APRIL 2, 2014

A RESOLUTION

1 Honoring the life and extending condolences for the supreme
 2 sacrifice of United States Marine Lance Corporal Joshua M.
 3 Martino, who tragically lost his life in service to our
 4 country on March 18, 2013, as a result of injuries sustained
 5 during a military training mission in Hawthorne, Nevada.

6 WHEREAS, United States Marine Lance Corporal Joshua M.

7 Martino was born on May 28, 1993, and raised in DuBois,

8 graduating on May 31, 2012, from DuBois Area High School where

9 he was a track and field star, competing on the 2012 District IX

10 Boys AAA Track and Field 4x800 meter relay champion team,

11 competed on the football and rifle teams and was a snowboarder

12 in the ski club; and

13 WHEREAS, Lance Corporal Joshua M. Martino was a Boy Scout, a

1 member of St. Michael the Archangel Roman Catholic Church in
2 DuBois and traveled to Europe in 2011 as a Student Ambassador
3 with People to People; and

4 WHEREAS, Lance Corporal Joshua M. Martino enjoyed hunting,
5 fishing, camping, boating, shooting and playing drums; and

6 WHEREAS, Lance Corporal Joshua M. Martino volunteered in
7 Europe by cleaning waterways, working with individuals with
8 special needs and building a habitat for wildlife, volunteered
9 with the Special Olympics and was a volunteer firefighter; and

10 WHEREAS, Lance Corporal Joshua M. Martino had a passion for
11 health and well-being, lived life to its fullest and loved
12 challenges and new experiences; and

13 WHEREAS, Lance Corporal Joshua M. Martino wanted to be a
14 Marine since the age of eight because he could not stand by and
15 let anything happen to his family or his country without doing
16 something; and

17 WHEREAS, Lance Corporal Joshua M. Martino joined the United
18 States Marine Corps on July 9, 2012, completed recruit training
19 at Marine Corps Recruit Depot, Parris Island, South Carolina,
20 went to the School of Infantry at Camp Geiger, North Carolina,
21 where he earned the Military Occupational Specialty of 0341,
22 Mortarman, joined the 1st Battalion, 9th Marines, Alpha Company
23 in December 2012, was an ammunition bearer during his time in
24 Weapons Platoon and was slated for his first deployment to
25 Afghanistan in October 2013; and

26 WHEREAS, Lance Corporal Joshua M. Martino was awarded the
27 National Defense Service Medal and the Global War on Terrorism
28 Service Medal and was posthumously promoted to the rank of Lance
29 Corporal; and

30 WHEREAS, Lance Corporal Joshua M. Martino died on Monday,

1 March 18, 2013, from injuries sustained in a military training
2 mission in Hawthorne, Nevada, and he was given full military
3 honors at Morningside Cemetery; and

4 WHEREAS, Lance Corporal Joshua M. Martino is survived by his
5 mother, Karen M. Perry; father, Vincent Martino; stepfather,
6 John A. Perry; brothers, Anthony J. Perry, John V. Perry and
7 James M. Perry; his fiancée, Annastasia Srock and three sisters-
8 in-law, four nieces and one nephew; therefore be it

9 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives honor the life
10 and extend condolences for the supreme sacrifice of United
11 States Marine Lance Corporal Joshua M. Martino, who tragically
12 lost his life in service to our country on March 18, 2013, as a
13 result of injuries sustained during a military training mission
14 in Hawthorne, Nevada.