

HR1025 - By Steele, Adair, Adkins, Armes, Askins, Balkman, Benge, Blackburn, Blackwell, Bonny, Boren, Braddock, Brannon, Calvey, Carey, Cargill, Case, Claunch, Coleman, Covey, Cox, Dank, Davis, Deutschendorf, DeWitt, Dorman, Easley, Eddins, Ellis, Ericson, Erwin, Ferguson, Gilbert, Graves, Greenwood, Hamilton, Harrison, Hastings, Hefner, Hiatt, Hilliard, Hutchison, Ingmire, Jones, Kirby, Lamons, Langmacher, Leist, Lerblance, Lindley, Liotta, Maddux, McCarter, McClain, McIntyre, Miller (Doug), Miller (Ray), Mitchell, Morgan (Danny), Morgan (Fred), Nance, Nations, Newport, O'Neal, Paulk, Perry, Peters, Peterson, Pettigrew, Phillips, Piatt, Plunk, Pope, Reynolds, Rice, Roan, Roberts, Roggow, Smaligo, Smith (Dale), Smith (Hopper), Smithson, Staggs, Stanley, Sullivan, Sweeden, Taylor, Tibbs, Toure, Trebilcock, Turner, Tyler, Vaughn, Walker, Wells, Wilson, Wilt, Winchester, Worthen, Wright and Young.

A Resolution honoring Aaron Dean White who made the supreme sacrifice in war defending our nation; and directing distribution.

WHEREAS, Aaron Dean White was born in Holdenville, Oklahoma. Aaron Dean White attended Sasakwa High School his freshman and sophomore years graduating in May 1994 from Shawnee High School; and

WHEREAS, one week after Aaron Dean White was handed his high school diploma he started his career with the United States Marine Corps. Staff Sergeant Aaron Dean White was a crew chief on CH-46 Sea Knight and had served 9 years in the United States Marine Corps assigned to the Marine Medium Helicopter Squadron 301 of the 3rd Marine Aircraft Wing at camp Pendleton, California; and

WHEREAS, Aaron Dean White was among four marines killed when their CH-46 transport helicopter crashed into a canal in Central Iraq near the City of Al Hillan on May 19, 2003. A fifth marine drowned attempting to save his fallen comrades.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE 1ST SESSION OF THE 49TH OKLAHOMA LEGISLATURE:

THAT the Oklahoma House of Representatives mourns the loss of Staff Sergeant Aaron Dean White and recognizes the bravery, courage and sacrifice Staff Sergeant White made for our nation.

THAT the Oklahoma House of Representatives extends sincere and heartfelt condolences to Staff Sergeant Aaron Dean White's family on behalf of the citizens of this state.

THAT a copy of this resolution be distributed to his wife, Michele White and baby daughter, Brianna Nicole White; and parents, Darrell and Karen White; and sister and brother-in-law, Sergeant Patricia LaBar and Spc. Ryan LaBar.