

ONE HUNDRED THIRD LEGISLATURE

FIRST SESSION

LEGISLATIVE RESOLUTION 39

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WHEREAS, "Freedom is Not Free," and our members of the armed forces of the United States of America lead the way in bringing peace, democracy, and the joy of freedom around the world; and

WHEREAS, our young men and women of the armed forces swear to defend the United States of America against all evil; and

WHEREAS, our young men and women of the armed forces leave home, family, and employment behind and embark upon a journey from which they may not return; and

WHEREAS, the bravery and dedication of our American military are above all measures a display of loyalty, perseverance, and commitment; and

WHEREAS, there are those who leave us way too early and return adorned with the flag of the United States of America, "Old Glory"; and

WHEREAS, even as our men and women of the armed forces are serving around the world in the hope of a lasting peace and freedom for all, we suffer losses not on the battlefield, but still losses that deserve honor. Such is the case for Commander Marsha Ann (Heineman) Hanly, United States Navy, Naval Medical Center Portsmouth, Portsmouth, Virginia. Commander Hanly succumbed to medical complications on Wednesday, May 16, 2012, and her passing is no less painful to her family, friends, and community; and

WHEREAS, during her sixteen years in the Navy, Commander Hanly served at Naval Medical Center Portsmouth, Portsmouth, Virginia; Naples, Italy; Kuwait during Operation Iraqi Freedom; and Sewells Point Branch Medical Clinic in Norfolk, Virginia. An avid and accomplished volleyball player, Commander Hanly was selected to play All Navy Volleyball for eight years and was selected twice to compete for the United States in the All World Military Championship games. Commander Hanly attended Duke University earning her master's degree in critical care nurse specialist and nurse practitioner in 2008. Commander Hanly served six months on the hospital ship USNS Comfort providing care for people in nine Central and South American countries; and

WHEREAS, Commander Hanly served her nation with honor, and this resolution honors her service and sacrifices; and

WHEREAS, Commander Hanly leaves behind her husband, Scott; children Avery, six, and Mason, three; parents Don and Sharon Heineman; brothers Matthew and wife Krista, and Mark and wife Donica; sister Melissa and husband Kevin; grandmother Helen Heineman; sister-in-law Erin and Jason Updegraff; and many nieces, nephews, aunts, uncles, and friends from coast to coast.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE MEMBERS OF THE ONE HUNDRED THIRD LEGISLATURE OF NEBRASKA, FIRST SESSION:

1. That the Legislature recognizes and honors the service and sacrifice made by Commander Marsha Ann (Heineman) Hanly and her family for our freedom. There is no price that will ever repay this Naval Commander

and her family for what Marsha did out of love of God, country, family, and freedom for one and all.

2. That the Legislature extends its sympathy and gratitude to the loved ones of Commander Marsha Ann (Heineman) Hanly. Indeed, "Freedom is Not Free." May her soul rest in peace and may God bless America.