House Resolution 1967

By: Representatives Purcell of the 122nd, Stephens of the 123rd, and Lane of the 101st

A RESOLUTION

1 Honoring the memory of Captain Judson B. Brinson, USAFR, and expressing regret at his

2 passing; and for other purposes.

WHEREAS, news of the passing of Captain Judson B. Brinson, USAFR, is received with
deep regret by this body; and

5 WHEREAS, the life led by this distinguished officer and gentleman rendered his name dear
6 to the hearts of his family and fellow citizens alike; and

7 WHEREAS, he died April 3, 2004, as a result of a military aircraft accident in Savannah, 8 Georgia. Originally from Thomasville, Georgia, Captain Brinson was an instructor pilot, 9 flying the T-6A Texan II, assigned to the 39th Flying Training Squadron, Moody Air Force 10 Base (AFB), Georgia. Judd had a distinguished career as both a military and civilian pilot. 11 After graduating in 1991 with a Bachelor of Science degree in computer science from 12 Valdosta State University, he went to the United Sates Air Force Undergraduate Navigator 13 Training (UNT) at Randolph Air Force Base (AFB), Texas, under the sponsorship of the 14 Georgia Air National Guard in Savannah. After graduating from UNT in 1993, he was 15 assigned to the 158th Airlift Squadron, Georgia, (ANG), as a C-130 transport aircraft navigator. He excelled professionally and was chosen to attend USAF Specialized 16 Undergraduate Pilot Training (SUPT). He successfully completed the training and graduated 17 in 1997. He flew the C-130 with the Georgia ANG from 1997 until 2002, and participated 18 19 in several combat missions, to include Operations Noble Eagle, Enduring Freedom, Joint 20 Forge, Coronet Oak, and Uphold Democracy; and

WHEREAS, in November, 2002, he transferred to the 39th Flying Training Squadron, Air Force Reserve Command, at Moody Air Force Base, supporting Joint Undergraduate Pilot Training and the 479th Flying Training Group. Judd became a T-6 instructor in January, 2003, and was well regarded by fellow instructors and students alike. As a guardsmen and traditional reservist, Judd pursued his dream of commercial aviation as first officer for 04

- 1 JetBlue in the Airbus A320 aircraft. A senior pilot, he had more than 5,300 hours in the
- 2 T-37, T-1A, Cessna 310, C-130, Airbus 320, and Boeing 737 aircraft. His decorations
- 3 include the Aerial Achievement Medal, the Air Force Commendation Medal, two Air Force
- 4 Achievement Medals, two Combat Readiness Medals, National Defense Service Medal,
- 5 Armed Forces Expeditionary Service Medal, Air Force Longevity Service Award, and the
- 6 Air Force Training Ribbon; and
- WHEREAS, while in life he commanded the esteem of his fellow citizens, in his death we
 mingle our sympathies with the grief of his family and friends.
- 9 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES that
- 10 the members of this body honor the memory of Captain Judson B. Brinson, USAFR, and
- 11 express their regret at his passing.
- 12 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Clerk of the House of Representatives is authorized 13 and directed to transmit an appropriate copy of this resolution to the family of Captain
- 14 Judson. B. Brinson, USAFR.