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House Resolution 2305

By: Representative Hatfield of the 177<sup>th</sup>

## A RESOLUTION

- 1 In memory of and honoring the life and service of Sergeant Chad Michael Mercer; and for
- 2 other purposes.
- 3 WHEREAS, on June 30, 2005, the State of Georgia lost one of its finest citizens with the
- 4 death of Sergeant Chad Michael Mercer of Waycross, Georgia, while serving as a Bradley
- 5 Fighting Vehicle Commander of Bravo Company, 2nd Battalion, 121st Infantry Regiment
- 6 in Baghdad, Iraq; and
- 7 WHEREAS, this exceptional individual exhibited outstanding leadership, patriotism,
- 8 courage, and dedication in his service to this state and nation in the 48th Brigade of the
- 9 Georgia Army National Guard; and
- 10 WHEREAS, this young man of 25 years leaves behind his loving wife, Pam; his beloved
- 11 children, Alanna Taft, Amber Taft, and Gavin Mercer; parents Mack and Dorothy Mercer;
- 12 parents-in-law Dudley and Carol Cole; brother Adam Mercer; sister Lara Mercer; sister-in-
- 13 law Rebecca Cole; grandparents Mike and Shirley Junk, Jean Jones, and Delores Mercer; and
- 14 several aunts and uncles; and
- 15 WHEREAS, the loss of this generous, kind, and devoted husband, father, citizen, and soldier
- leaves an unfillable void in the hearts and lives of his family and friends.
- $17 \quad NOW, THEREFORE, BE\,IT\,RESOLVED\,BY\,THE\,HOUSE\,OF\,REPRESENTATIVES\,that$
- 18 the members of this body express their deepest and most sincere regret at the passing of
- 19 Sergeant Chad Michael Mercer.
- 20 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Clerk of the House of Representatives is authorized
- 21 and directed to transmit an appropriate copy of this resolution to the family of Sergeant Chad
- 22 Michael Mercer.