

## House Resolution 1909

By: Representatives Rogers of the 26<sup>th</sup>, Benton of the 31<sup>st</sup>, Collins of the 27<sup>th</sup>, and Mills of the 25<sup>th</sup>

## A RESOLUTION

- 1 Honoring the life and memory of Mr. Matthew Warren Ward; and for other purposes.
- 2 WHEREAS, our nation's security continues to rely on patriotic men and women who put  
3 their personal lives on hold in order to place themselves in harm's way to protect the  
4 freedoms that all United States citizens cherish; and
- 5 WHEREAS, the United States recently lost one of its finest and most distinguished citizens  
6 in the untimely passing of Mr. Matthew Warren Ward on June 6, 2009; and
- 7 WHEREAS, Mr. Ward was born on June 6, 1986, in Fort Bragg, North Carolina, a beloved  
8 son of Scott Warren Ward and Virginia Lewis Ward; and
- 9 WHEREAS, he served as a guardian of this nation's freedom and liberty with the United  
10 States Army, valiantly and courageously protecting democracy and his fellow Americans as  
11 a member of the 632nd Maint Co, 87th CSSB; and
- 12 WHEREAS, a man of deep and abiding faith, Mr. Ward was a member of Center Barnstead  
13 Christian Church in Barnstead, New Hampshire; and
- 14 WHEREAS, the untimely passing of this American hero leaves an unfillable void in the  
15 hearts and lives of his family and friends, especially his mother, Virginia Lewis; his father  
16 and stepmother, Scott and Donna Ward; and his siblings, Evan, Wesley, Andrew, and  
17 Melissa; and
- 18 WHEREAS, Mr. Ward embodied the spirit of service, willing to find meaning in something  
19 greater than himself, and it is abundantly fitting and proper that the outstanding  
20 accomplishments of this remarkable and distinguished American be recognized  
21 appropriately.

22 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES that  
23 the members of this body express their deepest and most sincere regret at the passing of Mr.  
24 Matthew Warren Ward; commend his efficient, effective, unselfish, and dedicated public  
25 service to the citizens of his country; and extend to his family their most profound  
26 appreciation for all members of the United States military who stand ever ready to lay the  
27 ultimate sacrifice upon the altar of freedom.

28 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Clerk of the House of Representatives is authorized  
29 and directed to transmit an appropriate copy of this resolution to the family of Mr. Matthew  
30 Warren Ward.