HOUSE RESOLUTION No. ____

Introduced by: Burton

A RESOLUTION urging Hoosiers to offer their prayers and support for the men and women serving in the United States Armed Forces and especially for those fighting the war on terrorism and protecting democracy throughout the United States.

Whereas, The torch of patriotism has been held high in Indiana and throughout the United States in support of our country and its armed forces;

Whereas, On Flanders Fields and the beaches of Normandy, from the frozen mountains of Korea to the steaming jungles of Vietnam, on the burning sands of the Kuwaiti and Iraqi deserts to the mountains of Afghanistan, and at the Pentagon on September 11, 2001, over 27,000 Hoosiers have

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answered the call of freedom and have paid the ultimate price;

Whereas, Mindful of these sacrifices, Hoosier men and women fighting the war on terrorism have responded to their country's call without hesitation;

Whereas, These brave men and women are supported at home through prayers, sacrifices, and the love of their families;

Whereas, All Hoosiers should remember these troops and their families in their thoughts and prayers; and

Whereas, The Indiana House of Representatives ardently supports the troops currently fighting against terrorism: Therefore,

Be it resolved by the House of Representatives of the General Assembly of the State of Indiana:

SECTION 1. That the Indiana House of Representatives prays for the safe return of all our troops stationed around the globe.

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SECTION 2. That the Indiana House of Representatives offers its gratitude and appreciation to the brave Hoosier men and women, veterans of the Armed Forces, and the families and friends who stand behind them.

SECTION 3. That the Principal Clerk of the House of Representatives transmit a certified copy of this resolution to the President of the United States; the United States Department of Defense; the presiding officers and the majority and minority leaders of both houses of the United States Congress; the Indiana congressional delegation; the Adjutant General of the Indiana National Guard and the Indiana Reserves; and the commanding officers of the Grissom Air Reserve Base.

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