



1 HOUSE RESOLUTION

2 WHEREAS, Lance Corporal Aaron Pickering of Harrisburg, age
3 20, died on November 10, 2004 in Iraq during the assault on
4 Fallujah; and

5 WHEREAS, Aaron was assigned to the 1st Battalion, 3rd
6 Marines, C Company, based in Okinawa, Japan; he joined the U.S.
7 Marine Corps in 2003, arriving in Iraq about two months ago;
8 and

9 WHEREAS, He will be remembered as a very fun-loving young
10 man who always liked to be on the go, hunting, fishing, and
11 golfing; a 2002 graduate of Harrisburg High School, he was a
12 golf standout and qualified for state competition in his senior
13 year; he also played baseball and ran track in his high school
14 career; and

15 WHEREAS, The passing of Lance Corporal Aaron Pickering will
16 be deeply felt by many, especially his father and stepmother,
17 Carl and Teresa Pickering; his mother and stepfather, Lisa and
18 Sam Short; his grandparents; and his step-siblings; therefore,
19 be it

20 RESOLVED, BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE
21 NINETY-THIRD GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that
22 together with his family, friends, fellow members of the United
23 States armed forces, and the citizens of this State and this
24 great nation, we mourn the passing of Lance Corporal Aaron
25 Pickering and we extend to his family our sincerest
26 condolences; and be it further

27 RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be
28 presented to the family of Lance Corporal Aaron Pickering as an
29 expression of our deepest sympathy.