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## HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 347

Offered February 5, 2002

*Celebrating the life of Sergeant Major Larry Strickland.*

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WHEREAS, on September 11, 2001, terrorists launched a violent attack on the United States, causing great destruction and horrible human suffering in New York, Virginia, and Pennsylvania; and

WHEREAS, the attack had a devastating effect in Virginia, home of the Pentagon and of many of the personnel, military and civilian, who served there; and

WHEREAS, among the victims of the Pentagon attack was Sergeant Major Larry Strickland of Prince William County, the senior sergeant major for Army personnel and the senior enlisted advisor to the deputy chief of staff; and

WHEREAS, Sergeant Major Strickland was well-known for his devotion to his troops and for his willingness to share his experience and considerable expertise with less senior personnel; and

WHEREAS, dedicated, approachable, and highly skilled, Sergeant Major Strickland would have been a key asset in the Army's upcoming reorganization efforts; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED by the House of Delegates, the Senate concurring, That the General Assembly note with sadness the loss of Sergeant Major Larry Strickland, a victim of the September 11 terrorist attacks on the United States; and, be it

RESOLVED FURTHER, That the Clerk of the House of Delegates prepare a copy of this resolution for presentation to the family of Sergeant Major Larry Strickland as an expression of the heartfelt condolences of the General Assembly of Virginia.

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