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## SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 21

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*Celebrating the life of United States Army Specialist Kyle Pascal Stoeckli.*

Patron—Watkins

WHEREAS, United States Army Specialist Kyle Pascal Stoeckli of Chesterfield died in the line of duty on June 1, 2013, while valiantly serving his country in Maiwand, Afghanistan; and

WHEREAS, an athletic and outgoing young man known for his smile and laugh, Kyle Stoeckli graduated from Cosby High School, where he played football and lacrosse; and

WHEREAS, Kyle Stoeckli loved snowboarding, great food, and going to the river; he also played the guitar and drums; and

WHEREAS, Kyle Stoeckli had a strong work ethic, working a full-time job during high school to pay for his motorcycle and taking online classes to graduate early while also spending memorable times with his friends and family members; and

WHEREAS, Kyle Stoeckli fulfilled his dream of joining the United States Army when he enlisted shortly after graduating from high school; and

WHEREAS, Kyle Stoeckli was assigned to the 1st Battalion, 36th Infantry Regiment, 1st Stryker Brigade Combat Team, 1st Armored Division at Fort Bliss, Texas; and

WHEREAS, a respected and decorated soldier, Kyle Stoeckli was stationed in Maiwand, Afghanistan, when an improvised explosive device detonated near his unit; and

WHEREAS, Specialist Stoeckli's death is a reminder of the perils faced daily by the thousands of Americans who serve in the United States Armed Forces at home and abroad and whose devotion to duty places them in harm's way; and

WHEREAS, Kyle Stoeckli will be fondly remembered and greatly missed by his parents, Bruno and Sonja; sister, Stephanie; numerous other family members and friends; and fellow soldiers; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED by the Senate, the House of Delegates concurring, That the General Assembly hereby note with great sadness the loss of a courageous and patriotic Virginian, United States Army Specialist Kyle Pascal Stoeckli; and, be it

RESOLVED FURTHER, That the Clerk of the Senate prepare a copy of this resolution for presentation to the family of United States Army Specialist Kyle Pascal Stoeckli as an expression of the General Assembly's respect for his memory.

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