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HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 5235

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Celebrating the life of Major General Harold J. Greene.

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WHEREAS, Major General Harold J. Greene of Falls Church, a distinguished military leader who promoted cutting edge training and technology to keep American soldiers and allies safe on the battlefield, died in the line of duty on August 5, 2014, in Afghanistan; and

WHEREAS, a native of Albany, New York, Harold Greene earned a bachelor's degree and a master's degree from Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute, a master's degree from the U.S. Army War College, and a master's degree and a doctorate from the University of Southern California; and

WHEREAS, Harold Greene began his military career with the U.S. Army at Fort Polk in New York; he later served at Fort Leonard Wood in Missouri and became the deputy commanding general of the U.S. Army Research, Development and Engineering Command and senior commander of the U.S. Army Natick Soldier Systems Center; and

WHEREAS, advocating the use of modern technologies and training techniques, such as video games and tablet computers, General Greene worked diligently to provide American service members and allies with the tools and knowledge to carry out missions safely and efficiently; and

WHEREAS, General Greene served in both Operation Iraqi Freedom and Operation Enduring Freedom, and on January 8, 2014, he was deployed to Kabul, Afghanistan, as deputy commanding general of Combined Security Transition Command-Afghanistan; and

WHEREAS, General Greene was admired for his visionary leadership and his humble professionalism; his sacrifice is a reminder of the dangers bravely faced by American men and women in uniform throughout the world; and

WHEREAS, the recipient of many awards and accolades during his 34-year military career, General Greene earned the Legion of Merit, the Distinguished Service Medal, the Meritorious Service Medal, and the Army Commendation Medal; and

WHEREAS, General Greene will be fondly remembered and greatly missed by his wife, Susan; children, Matthew and Amelia; and numerous other family members and friends; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED by the House of Delegates, the Senate concurring, That the General Assembly hereby note with great sadness the loss of Major General Harold J. Greene, a respected military leader and a true gentleman; 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 Major General Harold J. Greene as an expression of the General Assembly's respect for his memory.

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