HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 7

Offered January 8, 2020 Prefiled November 25, 2019 Celebrating the life of Master Sergeant Sae Jin Park-Schneider, USA.

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Patrons—Freitas and Cole, M.L.; Senator: Reeves

WHEREAS, Master Sergeant Sae Jin Park-Schneider, USA, a decorated member of the elite Green Berets, died on March 13, 2018; and

WHEREAS, Sae Jin Park-Schneider, also known as Jeremy Schneider, grew up in Watertown, Connecticut, where he graduated from Watertown High School in 1992; he subsequently earned a bachelor's degree and a master's degree; and

WHEREAS, desirous to be of service to the nation, Sae Jin Park-Schneider enlisted in the United States Army in January 1998; he completed Airborne and Ranger training and volunteered for the rigorous Special Forces Assessment and Selection; and

WHEREAS, Sae Jin Park-Schneider completed deployments throughout the world, including to the Republic of Korea and Iraq; he most recently had served as team sergeant for an Operational Detachment Alpha; and

WHEREAS, throughout his distinguished military career, Sae Jin Park-Schneider received the Legion of Merit, Bronze Star Medal, Meritorious Service Medal, Joint Service Commendation Medal, six Army Commendation Medals, and four Army Achievement Medals, among many other awards and decorations; and

WHEREAS, predeceased by his twin brother, Sergeant First Class Dae Han Park, USA, Sae Jin Park-Schneider is fondly remembered and greatly missed by his parents, Joseph and Bonnie; his sister, Katie; his fiancée, Yong Kwon; 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 Master Sergeant Sae Jin Park-Schneider, USA, a respected member of the United States Army Special Forces; 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 Master Sergeant Sae Jin Park-Schneider, USA, as an expression of the General Assembly's respect for his memory.