

SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 28

BY SENATOR MARIONNEAUX

A RESOLUTION

To declare Tuesday, April 27, 2010, Military Family Day in the Louisiana Senate in honor of America's military personnel, and in particular, in honor of Louisiana's fallen heroes.

WHEREAS, Louisiana has provided significant military manpower in America's Global War On Terrorism; and

WHEREAS, on March 5, 2010, Louisiana began deployment of the 256th Infantry Brigade, one of the premier national guard units in America, to Operation Iraqi Freedom for a second tour of duty there; and

WHEREAS, the 256th Infantry Brigade served with great courage and distinction during its 2004-2005 deployment to Iraq, engaging enemy forces like no other guard unit before it, at a cost of thirty-two soldiers lost in the fighting; and

WHEREAS, Louisiana continues to send its individual armed forces personnel and national guard units to the Iraqi and Afghan Theaters and into harm's way; and

WHEREAS, Louisiana has participated heavily in Iraq, Afghanistan and other world hot spots, sending assets, both personnel and material, to stop the terrorist threat posed there by those who would harm America and her people; and

WHEREAS, Louisiana has a proud tradition of active participation in this country's fights for freedom, the many battles for liberty and the unending struggle for democracy; and

WHEREAS, the Louisiana Senate has recognized and praised those who serve and has honored each of its fallen soldiers with a Condolence Resolution so that no one will ever forget their outstanding service and sacrifice in the war on terrorism, in Iraq, Afghanistan, and elsewhere; and

WHEREAS, it is entirely appropriate that the upper chamber of the Louisiana Legislature extends an invitation to the families of those who serve and of those who have fallen to be the guests of the state of Louisiana and the Louisiana Senate for a day of recognition and honor.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Senate of the Legislature of Louisiana does hereby declare Tuesday, April 27, 2010, Military Family Day in the Senate in order to honor all American military personnel, and in particular to properly honor Louisiana's fallen soldiers and their families.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a copy of this Resolution be transmitted to each family represented in the ceremony.

PRESIDENT OF THE SENATE