

HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION 273

By Hale

A RESOLUTION to honor the memory of Chief Warrant Officer Three Danny Randolph and Chief Warrant Officer Three Daniel Wadham of the Tennessee Army National Guard.

WHEREAS, our nation was conceived by individuals who were willing to sacrifice their personal safety and concerns to ensure our individual and collective freedom, and the Volunteer State is especially proud to be the home of so many valiant men and women who have performed above and beyond the call of duty; and

WHEREAS, we wish to honor two brave and honorable members of the Tennessee Army National Guard who lost their lives while serving our nation, Chief Warrant Officer Three Danny Randolph of Murfreesboro and Chief Warrant Officer Three Daniel Wadham of Joelton; and

WHEREAS, Danny Randolph and Daniel Wadham made the ultimate sacrifice for their country on February 15, 2023, while conducting a routine training flight with the Tennessee Army National Guard; and

WHEREAS, both pilots were assigned to A Company, 1-230th Assault Helicopter Battalion, which is stationed at Berry Field Air National Guard Base in Nashville; and

WHEREAS, Chief Warrant Officer Three Danny Randolph had served in the military for thirteen years, including a deployment in Afghanistan, where he served as an air traffic controller; a 2000 graduate of Gallatin High School, Danny Randolph was a loving husband and father of four children and three stepchildren; and

WHEREAS, Chief Warrant Officer Three Daniel Wadham had served in the military for fifteen years; he leaves behind his loving wife, Rosetta Wadham, who is a member of E Company, 1-230th, Tennessee Army National Guard, and their two children, Lilly and Scarlett; and

WHEREAS, Danny Randolph's and Daniel Wadham's dedication to excellence in the military and their love of family, their fellow soldiers, and their country are exemplified in their sacrifice of life itself in defense of all that they held dear and stand as enduring examples of the characteristics that have ensured the continued freedom of our nation and the preservation of its ideals over the course of our history; and

WHEREAS, these valiant Tennesseans leave behind an indelible legacy of integrity and probity in public life, compassion and loyalty in private life, and diligence and dedication in all their chosen endeavors; and

WHEREAS, it is fitting that the members of this General Assembly should pause to remember the singular patriotism, courage, and commitment to duty of the late Chief Warrant Officer Three Danny Randolph and Chief Warrant Officer Three Daniel Wadham of the Tennessee Army National Guard, whose loss is mourned by a grateful nation; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE ONE HUNDRED THIRTEENTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, THE SENATE CONCURRING, that we honor the memory of Chief Warrant Officer Three Danny Randolph and Chief Warrant Officer Three Daniel Wadham, two men of impeccable character and limitless courage who stalwartly committed themselves to the defense of their nation as members of the Tennessee Army National Guard.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that we express our sympathy and offer our condolences to the families of Chief Warrant Officer Three Danny Randolph and Chief Warrant Officer Three Daniel Wadham.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that an appropriate copy of this resolution be prepared for presentation with this final clause omitted from such copy and upon proper request made to the appropriate clerk, the language appearing immediately following the State seal appear without House or Senate designation.