ONE HUNDRED FIRST LEGISLATURE

FIRST SESSION

LEGISLATIVE RESOLUTION 45

Introduced by Avery, 28.

WHEREAS, the Nebraska National Guard has played a major role in support of Operation Noble Eagle in the United States; Operation Enduring Freedom in Afghanistan; and Operation Iraqi Freedom in Iraq; and

WHEREAS, Nebraska National Guard missions have included security, force protection, transportation, logistic support, quick reaction force, forward area support, rear area support, medical support, aviation maintenance, aviation support, medical evacuation (air and ground), reconnaissance, surveillance, law and order (police investigation), and direct support maintenance; and

WHEREAS, Nebraska National Guard missions have included aerial refueling, maintenance, engineering, supply mobility support, financial management, and security; and

WHEREAS, more than four thousand two hundred members of the Nebraska National Guard have deployed to more than twenty foreign countries during the last five years; and

WHEREAS, the Purple Heart, awarded to members of the United States Armed Forces wounded or killed as a direct result of enemy actions, has been presented to Captain Drew J. Marr, Sergeant Julius D. Aquino, Specialist Nathan W. Turnbull, and Private Justin D. Hitz; and

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WHEREAS, the Army Commendation Medal with Valor, awarded for heroism, meritorious achievement, or meritorious service, has been presented to First Lieutenant Clayton W. Engelman.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE MEMBERS OF THE ONE HUNDRED FIRST LEGISLATURE OF NEBRASKA, FIRST SESSION:

 That the Legislature expresses its gratitude and wishes to honor these individuals for their sacrifice and service to the State of Nebraska and the United States of America.

2. That a copy of this resolution be sent to all the soldiers mentioned in this resolution.