A RESOLUTION

To express the sincere condolences of the Senate of the Legislature of Louisiana to the family of Louisiana Army National Guard Sergeant Kevin Weiner upon his death while in the service of his country.

WHEREAS, Sergeant Weiner was a resident of Shreveport, Louisiana, and was a member of the 165th Combat Sustainment Support Battalion based in the Bossier City, Louisiana area; and

WHEREAS, Sergeant Weiner was a twelve-year veteran of the Louisiana Army National Guard; and

WHEREAS, Sergeant Weiner had bravely served his country in the Southwest Asia Theater of War during multiple tours in combat zones; and

WHEREAS, Sergeant Weiner and the soldiers in his unit were returning by ground convoy from a mission in south Louisiana where he and the soldiers of his unit, along with more than eight thousand other soldiers and airmen, were in charge of transporting and providing relief supplies to victims of Hurricane Isaac and using Hammond, Louisiana, as a base to work from; and

WHEREAS, Sergeant Weiner was driving a Humvee and was the last vehicle in the military convoy as it moved north on I-49 toward their home base in Bossier City; and

CONDOLENCES. Extends condolences upon the death of Louisiana Army National Guardsman Sergeant Kevin Weiner.
WHEREAS, Sergeant Weiner was a thirty-year-old family man, happy to be heading
  home to his wife, Monica, and his three sons, Julian, Brayden, and Ethan, after a tough
  assignment providing relief to victims of Hurricane Isaac; and

  WHEREAS, Sergeant Weiner took pride in sharing the fact that he met Monica on
  his first tour in Iraq, and that out of war came love; and

  WHEREAS, during the convoy, a tragic accident happened when an eighteen-wheel
  truck collided with the Humvee driven by Sergeant Weiner and he was mortally injured as
  a result of the crash; and

  WHEREAS, while her heart was still heavy in the aftermath of such a great loss,
  Sergeant Weiner's wife Monica set about actively honoring her husband by telling everyone
  she could talk to, including news organizations, that Kevin Weiner was a great man, friend,
  husband, father, and soldier.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Senate of the Legislature of Louisiana
  does hereby extend its heartfelt condolences to the family of Louisiana Army National
  Guard Sergeant Kevin Weiner for the immeasurable loss they have suffered and for the
  mourning and sadness that follows.

  BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that Louisiana, as a people and a state, is proud of
  Sergeant Weiner and will be forever grateful for soldiers like him and sincerely appreciate
  the sacrifices he made for his country.

  BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a copy of this Resolution be transmitted to the
  family of LANG Sergeant Kevin Weiner.

The original instrument and the following digest, which constitutes no part
of the legislative instrument, were prepared by Heyward Jeffers.

DIGEST
Adley SR No. 71

Expresses condolences upon the death of LANG Sergeant Kevin Weiner.