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SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 60

BY SENATOR PERRY

CONDOLENCES. Expresses the condolences of the Louisiana Senate upon the death of U.S. Marine Corps Corporal Bryan Lauw.

1	A RESOLUTION
2	To express the sincere condolences of the Senate of the Legislature of Louisiana to the
3	family of United States Marine Corps Corporal Bryan Michael Lauw upon his death
4	while in the service of his country.
5	WHEREAS, Bryan Michael Lauw was born in Lake Jackson, Texas, on June 8, 1994,
6	and graduated from Live Oak High School in Watson, Louisiana, in May 2012, where he
7	was very competitive in both academic and athletic affairs; and
8	WHEREAS, Bryan had always sought to be the fittest of his friends and always
9	wanted to be the quickest runner on any field where he competed with others, so it was no
10	surprise to family and friends when he decided after his graduation that he would enlist in
11	the U.S. Marine Corps; and
12	WHEREAS, Bryan was highly successful in his efforts to become a well-trained and
13	dedicated member of the Marine Corps, being promoted to Corporal and becoming a vital
14	part of Company C, 1st Light Armored Reconnaissance Battalion, 1st Marine Division
15	where he served as an anti-tank missileman; and
16	WHEREAS, Bryan's hard work was recognized by his superiors and he was rewarded
17	with promotions to Lance Corporal and Corporal after he had served aboard the U.S.S.
18	America, an amphibious assault ship, operating in Central America and South America and

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later served a deployment to the Middle East in Jordan where he bravely served his country

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2 in an outstanding and exemplary fashion; and 3 WHEREAS, Corporal Lauw received his orders for his next duty station at the 4 sprawling coastal Marine Corps base at Camp Pendleton in Southern California, where he continued his training as a missileman; and 5 6 WHEREAS, Corporal Lauw trained with other Marines using an MTVR, or Medium 7 Tactical Vehicle Replacement, built to traverse any type terrain, including five feet of water 8 and climb 30-degree slopes; and 9 WHEREAS, Corporal Lauw was one of nineteen Marines engaged in training 10 exercises aboard an MTVR at Camp Pendleton on Thursday, September 10, 2015, when the 11 seven-ton vehicle overturned and rolled over, critically injuring six Marines, leaving eight others injured but in stable condition, and mortally injuring Corporal Lauw; and 12 13 WHEREAS, Corporal Lauw's awards and decorations include the National Defense 14 Service Medal, the Global War on Terrorism Service Medal, the Sea Service Deployment 15 Ribbon, a Meritorious Mast and four Letters of Appreciation, as well as the Marine Expert 16 Marksmanship Badge. THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Senate of the Legislature of Louisiana 17 18 does hereby extend its most solemn and profound condolences to the family of U.S. Marine 19 Corps Corporal Bryan Lauw on its immeasurable loss and recognize his brave service for 20 his country. 21 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a copy of this Resolution be transmitted to the 22 family of Corporal Bryan Lauw. The original instrument and the following digest, which constitutes no part of the legislative instrument, were prepared by Heyward Jeffers.

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