

1                                   **RESOLUTION HONORING UTAH MILITARY**

2   **SERVICE PERSONNEL**

3   2005 GENERAL SESSION

4   STATE OF UTAH

5   **Sponsor: Fred R. Hunsaker**

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7   **LONG TITLE**

8   **General Description:**

9                   This concurrent resolution of the Legislature and the Governor honors Utah National  
10 Guard members serving in Iraq and Afghanistan.

11 **Highlighted Provisions:**

12                   This resolution:

- 13                   ▶ honors Utah National Guard members for their service in Iraq and Afghanistan; and
- 14                   ▶ recognizes the many efforts of Utah National Guard members in helping to
- 15 strengthen and rebuild communities in Iraq and Afghanistan.

16 **Special Clauses:**

17                   None

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19 *Be it resolved by the Legislature of the state of Utah, the Governor concurring therein:*

20                   WHEREAS, the National Guard has a proud tradition, has been in existence for over  
21 365 years, and its members continually train to be the most ready reserve component in the  
22 world;

23                   WHEREAS, the Utah National Guard has distinguished itself for service and  
24 mobilization, and since the war began in Iraq, every unit in the Utah National Guard has been  
25 mobilized in some fashion;

26                   WHEREAS, units of the Utah National Guard serving in Iraq and Afghanistan are not  
27 only striving to maintain peace and freedom, they are also serving the citizens of those



28 countries in unique and lasting ways;

29 WHEREAS, members of the 116th Army Engineer Company "Devil Diggers" stationed  
30 in Iraq have hauled gravel, built roads, improved defensive positions, fabricated parts to fix  
31 equipment, constructed helipads and taxiways, and provided civil engineering design and  
32 construction surveying services;

33 WHEREAS, members of the 1-211 Attack Aviation Battalion stationed in Afghanistan  
34 have provided humanitarian supplies to villagers in Jegdalek and made arrangements for a  
35 child in the village to receive much needed eye surgery;

36 WHEREAS, Charlie Company of the 1457th Engineer Battalion, stationed in Iraq, has  
37 been awarded the prestigious Itscher Award for being the best National Guard Engineering  
38 company nationwide;

39 WHEREAS, these and other Utah National Guard units stationed in Iraq and  
40 Afghanistan have worked hard and represented their state and nation with distinction in their  
41 efforts to secure these struggling nations and help these societies rebuild in an atmosphere of  
42 freedom and opportunity;

43 WHEREAS, many units of the Utah National Guard remaining in Utah are providing  
44 much needed support for the units deployed; and

45 WHEREAS, the state of Utah is grateful for the exemplary manner in which units of the  
46 Utah National Guard have served the citizens of Iraq and Afghanistan:

47 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Legislature of the state of Utah, the  
48 Governor concurring therein, honor the efforts of Utah National Guard units stationed in Iraq  
49 and Afghanistan, and those units at home that are supporting their efforts, for their dedication  
50 to freedom and for their service to the people of these struggling nations.

51 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a copy of this resolution be sent to each Utah  
52 National Guard unit, past and present, serving in Iraq and Afghanistan, and the units stationed  
53 in Utah providing support services to the unit deployments.

**Legislative Review Note**  
as of 12-22-04 10:17 AM

Based on a limited legal review, this legislation has not been determined to have a high probability of being held unconstitutional.

**Office of Legislative Research and General Counsel**

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**Fiscal Note**  
**Bill Number HCR005**

**Resolution Honoring Utah Military Service Personnel**

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**State Impact**

Fiscal requirements to enact provisions of this resolution can be handled within existing budgets.

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**Individual and Business Impact**

None

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**Office of the Legislative Fiscal Analyst**