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H. RES. 936

Honoring the citizen-soldiers of the Army National Guard of the State of Illinois, including the 33rd Infantry Brigade Combat Team of the Illinois Army National Guard, which recently returned from deployment to Afghanistan.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

NOVEMBER 19, 2009

Mr. QUIGLEY (for himself, Ms. BEAN, Mrs. BIGGERT, Mr. COSTELLO, Mr. DAVIS of Illinois, Mr. GUTIERREZ, Mr. FOSTER, Mr. HARE, Mrs. HALVORSON, Mr. JACKSON of Illinois, Mr. JOHNSON of Illinois, Mr. KIRK, Mr. LIPINSKI, Mr. MANZULLO, Mr. ROSKAM, Mr. RUSH, Ms. SCHAKOWSKY, and Mr. SHIMKUS) submitted the following resolution; which was referred to the Committee on Armed Services

RESOLUTION

Honoring the citizen-soldiers of the Army National Guard of the State of Illinois, including the 33rd Infantry Brigade Combat Team of the Illinois Army National Guard, which recently returned from deployment to Afghanistan.

Whereas the members of the Army National Guard of the State of Illinois reside throughout the State and come from various communities, backgrounds, and professions;

Whereas units and members of the Illinois National Guard have been deployed, and are continuously being deployed, in support of United States military operations at home

and overseas in Iraq, Afghanistan, and dozens of other countries;

Whereas one such unit, the 33rd Infantry Brigade Combat Team of the Illinois Army National Guard, is composed of approximately 3,000 citizen-soldiers from throughout the State of Illinois;

Whereas during the deployment of the 33rd Infantry Brigade Combat Team in Afghanistan, the primary mission of the brigade was to train and mentor members of the Afghan National Army and Afghan National Police;

Whereas 18 members of the 33rd Infantry Brigade Combat Team were killed during the deployment and an additional 90 soldiers were wounded;

Whereas members of the 33rd Infantry Brigade Combat Team were awarded more than 4,600 awards or decorations as a result of their service, including 66 Purple Hearts and 8 Bronze Stars for Valor; and

Whereas the 33rd Infantry Brigade Combat Team returned to the United States upon completion of the deployment in support of military operations in Afghanistan: Now, therefore, be it

1 *Resolved*, That the House of Representatives—

2 (1) expresses its gratitude to the members of
3 the Army National Guard of the State of Illinois and
4 their families for their service and sacrifice on behalf
5 of the United States;

6 (2) commends the members of the 33rd Brigade
7 Combat Team of the Illinois Army National Guard

1 on the completion of their deployment to Afghani-
2 stan; and

3 (3) recognizes the achievements of the members
4 of the 33rd Brigade Combat Team, and all other
5 formerly and presently deployed Illinois Army Na-
6 tional Guard members, for their exemplary service.

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