

HOUSE RESOLUTION No. 6044

A RESOLUTION honoring Captain Christopher Norgren for service to his country and the world community.

WHEREAS, Captain Christopher Norgren, native of Wichita, Kansas, and member of the United States Marine Corps, was killed on May 12, 2015, at the age of 31, when his helicopter crashed in the mountains of Nepal; and

WHEREAS, Capt. Norgren was part of a group of six Marines and two Nepalese soldiers who were on a mission of mercy — delivering food, blankets and medicine to villages cut off from civilization by the devastating earthquake that hit Nepal on April 25, 2015; and

WHEREAS, Capt. Norgren was serving with Marine Light Attack Helicopter Squadron 469, based at Camp Pendleton, California. The squadron had traveled to the Philippines for a training mission when it was deployed to Nepal as part of a military aid mission; and

WHEREAS, Capt. Norgren was commissioned on August 8, 2009. His deployments included Operation Enduring Freedom and Operation Sahayogi Haat and his decorations included the Navy and Marine Corps Achievement Medal, Combat Action Ribbon, Sea Service Deployment Ribbon with bronze star in lieu of second award, Afghanistan Campaign Medal with bronze star in lieu of second award, National Defense Service Medal, Global War on Terrorism Service Medal, Navy Unit Commendation, Certificate of Commendation and a NATO Medal; and

WHEREAS, Capt. Norgren was a 2002 graduate of Bishop Carroll High School, in Wichita, Kansas, and a 2007 summa cum laude graduate of the University of Missouri-Rolla, now called the Missouri University of Science and Technology, with degrees in aerospace engineering and applied mathematics; Now, therefore,

Be it resolved by the House of Representatives of the State of Kansas: That we honor Captain Christopher Norgren for service to his country and the world community, and extend our deepest sympathy to his family.

House Resolution No. 6044 was sponsored by Representative Mario Goico.

I hereby certify that the above RESOLUTION originated in the HOUSE, and was adopted by that body

Speaker of the House.

Chief Clerk of the House.