

By: Senator(s) Chaney, King, Carmichael

To: Rules

SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 520

1 A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION REMEMBERING THE GALLANT SERVICE AND
2 COMMENDING THE LIFE OF UNITED STATES MARINE CORPS MASTER SERGEANT
3 BRIAN P. MCANULTY OF VICKSBURG, MISSISSIPPI, WHO WAS KILLED IN
4 ACTION IN IRAQ ON DECEMBER 11, 2006, AND EXPRESSING THE SYMPATHY
5 OF THE LEGISLATURE.

6 WHEREAS, United States Marine Corps Staff Sergeant Brian P.
7 McAnulty, 39, a 1985 graduate of Warren Central High School in
8 Vicksburg, Mississippi, was killed on Monday, December 11, 2006,
9 when a CH-53 helicopter in which he was being transported crashed
10 in Al Anbar Province in Iraq; and

11 WHEREAS, the Mississippian was assigned to the 3rd Battalion,
12 4th Marine Regiment, 1st Marine Division of the I Marine
13 Expeditionary Force in Twentynine Palms, California; and

14 WHEREAS, former Warren Central Soccer teammate Rip Engler
15 remembers that Sergeant McAnulty went into the military after a
16 car accident in Warren County in December 1985. Lucy Young, his
17 former Soccer Coach at Warren Central, said she kept up with
18 Brian's military career through his parents even after they moved
19 away several years ago, bought a motor home and traveled around
20 the nation before settling in North Carolina. "He was a great guy
21 who was very dedicated and a very dedicated soldier," said Young;
22 and

23 WHEREAS, carried by a Marine Honor Guard, he was buried on
24 Tuesday, December 19, 2006, at Mount Gur Cemetery in Kernersville,
25 North Carolina, with full military honors; during the funeral he
26 was awarded the Navy Cross; and

27 WHEREAS, since operations began in Iraq and Afghanistan, at
28 least 48 soldiers or sailors with Mississippi ties have died in
29 action; and

30 WHEREAS, to a country, a fallen soldier means a national
31 loss; to a community, a fallen soldier means a true hero; to a
32 parent, a fallen soldier means a son who won't be coming home.
33 Mississippians understand the costs of conflict, because we have
34 paid them in the past, and it is with great pride and humility
35 that we recognize the heroic action of this great American and
36 Mississippian, who was the guardian of civilization as we know it
37 today:

38 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE OF THE STATE OF
39 MISSISSIPPI, THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES CONCURRING THEREIN, That
40 we do hereby remember the gallant service and commend the life of
41 United States Marine Corps Master Sergeant Brian P. McAnulty, who
42 was killed in action in Iraq on Monday, December 11, 2006, and
43 extend the thoughts and prayers of the Legislature to his family
44 and our sorrow on his passing.

45 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That this resolution be presented to
46 the surviving family of Sergeant McAnulty and be made available to
47 members of the Capitol Press Corps.