

## House Resolution 1023

By: Representatives Burchett of the 176<sup>th</sup>, Corbett of the 174<sup>th</sup>, Clark of the 100<sup>th</sup>, Bonner of the 73<sup>rd</sup>, Cannon of the 172<sup>nd</sup>, and others

## A RESOLUTION

- 1 Honoring the life and memory of Sergeant Kennedy Ladon Sanders; and for other purposes.
- 2 WHEREAS, the State of Georgia mourns the loss of one of its most noble, patriotic, and  
3 selfless citizens with the passing of Sergeant Kennedy Ladon Sanders, who lost her life in  
4 the line of duty on January 28, 2024; and
- 5 WHEREAS, Specialist Kennedy Ladon Sanders was posthumously promoted to sergeant;  
6 and
- 7 WHEREAS, Sergeant Kennedy Ladon Sanders was born on June 30, 1999, the beloved  
8 daughter of Shawn and Oneida Oliver-Sanders; and
- 9 WHEREAS, Sergeant Kennedy Ladon Sanders took an oath to support and defend the  
10 Constitution of the United States in the Army Reserves in 2019 and served as a guardian of  
11 this nation's freedom and liberty, putting herself at risk so that others could enjoy the  
12 privilege of security and laying the ultimate sacrifice upon the altar of freedom; and
- 13 WHEREAS, at the young age of 20 years old, she stepped up to the challenge again and  
14 became an election official for Ware County in 2020; and

15 WHEREAS, she exemplified the highest ideals of honor, duty, and selflessness and an  
16 unwavering commitment to defending our nation and protecting the freedoms we hold dear;  
17 and

18 WHEREAS, all Americans owe a debt of gratitude to the men and women of the United  
19 States armed forces who risk their lives in the defense of freedom and to secure the blessings  
20 of liberty for this nation and other peoples of the world; and

21 WHEREAS, a compassionate and courageous woman, Sergeant Kennedy Ladon Sanders will  
22 long be remembered for her love of family and friendship, fidelity to country and the  
23 Constitution, and heroism in the face of enormous adversity; and

24 WHEREAS, Sergeant Kennedy Ladon Sanders will be missed by all who had the great  
25 fortune of knowing her, her legacy will serve as an inspiration to countless men and women,  
26 and her noble sacrifice resounds in history as a shining example of patriotism in defense of  
27 these United States of America.

28 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES that  
29 the members of this body join in honoring the life and memory of Sergeant Kennedy Ladon  
30 Sanders and express their deepest and most sincere regret at her passing.

31 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Clerk of the House of Representatives is authorized  
32 and directed to make an appropriate copy of this resolution available for distribution to the  
33 family of Sergeant Kennedy Ladon Sanders.