

SENATE RESOLUTION No. 1865

A RESOLUTION honoring Christopher D. Schneider.

WHEREAS, Christopher D. Schneider of Parsons deployed to Iraq May 30, 2003, as a member of the 110th Army Reserve Quartermaster Company. He was stationed at Camp Anaconda about 40 miles north of Baghdad. He, with about 1,000 others, formed a quick reaction team providing security for convoys traveling from Balad to Tikrit three times weekly; and

WHEREAS, On January 13, 2004, while with a security convoy he was involved in a multiple vehicle accident. He was thrown into a ravine and a heavy vehicle landed on top of him. He suffered multiple wounds including fractures of the left hip and pelvis and severing of the right femoral artery. With death imminent he was air evacuated to Germany and then to Walter Reed Army Medical Center in Washington, D.C. After 36 injections of blood and 18 surgeries he survived but his right leg had to be amputated; and

WHEREAS, Christopher Schneider has been fitted with a high-tech prosthetic leg with microprocessors that will respond to leg movements 50 times per second. He is in a rehabilitation program at the hospital and eventually should have 95% use of his leg; and

WHEREAS, He has a positive outlook on life choosing to focus on what he has gained rather than lost. He fully supports the involvement of the United States in Iraq and believes the people of Iraq do support the efforts to bring them freedom; and

WHEREAS, Christopher is married and has two children: Now, therefore,

*Be it resolved by the Senate of the State of Kansas:* That we honor the service and sacrifices Christopher D. Schneider has made in bringing freedom to the people of Iraq; and

*Be it further resolved:* That the Secretary of the Senate provide an enrolled copy of this resolution to Christopher D. Schneider.

Senate Resolution No. 1865 was sponsored by Senator Dwayne Umbarger.

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

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*President of the Senate.*

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*Secretary of the Senate.*