



RESOLUTION HONORING
KYLE JEROME WHITE
ALUMNUS OF UNC CHARLOTTE

Honoring the life, heroism, and selflessness above and beyond the call of duty of Kyle Jerome White;

WHEREAS, Kyle White enlisted in the United States Army in 2006, from Washington State; and

WHEREAS, Kyle White engaged in rigorous military training and military learning to prepare for unknown challenges; and

WHEREAS, Kyle White applied his military training and military learning while assigned to “Chosen Company,” in Nuristan Province, Afghanistan at the enlisted rank of Specialist; and

WHEREAS, Kyle White, a soldier in the United States Army, embodied Army values and the warrior ethos. And, and as a leader in Chosen Company demonstrated “mastery of the warfighting trade” and “doing what is right”; and

WHEREAS, on November 9, 2007, Kyle White and his unit were ambushed and exposed to enemy fire; and

WHEREAS, Kyle White exposed himself to enemy fire to reach fellow soldiers, provide medical aid and saved a fellow soldier's life; and

WHEREAS, Kyle White was separated from his platoon, was alone and without radio communication, exposed himself to enemy fire again to secure a radio from a deceased comrade. He took command and control of the perilous situation, disrupted the enemy attack, and enabled the successful evacuation of all wounded and fallen personnel; and

WHEREAS, all of the Americans on that patrol were killed or wounded; the six American heroes that died on November 9 will never be forgotten:

Marine Corps Sgt. Phillip A. Bocks
Capt. Matthew Charles Ferrara
Spc. Joseph Michael Lancour
Cpl. Sean Kanae-Aldrique Langevin
Sgt. Jeffery Scott Mersman
Cpl. Lester G. Roque

WHEREAS, Kyle White received medical treatment for his injuries and returned to Chosen Company to finish his deployment in Afghanistan; and

WHEREAS, Kyle White separated from the United States Army at the rank of Sergeant in July 2011, enrolled in UNC Charlotte in the fall of 2011 and graduated in the fall of 2013 with a Bachelor's degree in Business Administration; and

WHEREAS, Kyle White lives in Charlotte, North Carolina and works for RBC Capital Markets' Municipal Finance department; and

WHEREAS, on May 13, 2014, Kyle White received the Medal of Honor, the nation's highest medal for valor in combat that can be awarded to members of the armed forces, from the President of the United States for his heroic actions in Afghanistan; and

WHEREAS, Kyle White's recognition honors his fallen brothers, his unit, the United States Army, the American people, the State of North Carolina, the faculty, staff and students of the University of North Carolina, and most especially the Forty-Niner nation;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the University of North Carolina Board of Governors

- (1) honor Kyle White as an American hero and a distinguished alumnus of the University of North Carolina at Charlotte, a constituent institution of the University of North Carolina;
- (2) extend their heartfelt sympathies and condolences to Kyle White and Chosen Company for the loss of their brothers in Afghanistan;
- (3) are thankful that Kyle White's recognition as a recipient of the Medal of Honor heightens awareness of the sacrifices and values of the nation's military by the American people; and
- (4) reaffirm their commitment to serving active-duty service members, veterans and their families at the constituent institutions of the University of North Carolina.

This, the 20th day of June 2014

Peter D. Hans, *Chairman*

Ann B. Goodnight, *Secretary*