111TH CONGRESS 1ST SESSION

S. 1794

To authorize and request the President to award the Medal of Honor posthumously to Captain Emil Kapaun of the United States Army for acts of valor during the Korean War.

IN THE SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES

OCTOBER 15, 2009

Mr. Brownback (for himself and Mr. Roberts) introduced the following bill; which was read twice and referred to the Committee on Armed Services

A BILL

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- 1 Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representa-
- 2 tives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,
- 3 SECTION 1. AUTHORIZATION AND REQUEST FOR AWARD
- 4 OF MEDAL OF HONOR TO EMIL KAPAUN FOR
- 5 ACTS OF VALOR DURING THE KOREAN WAR.
- 6 (a) AUTHORIZATION.—Notwithstanding the time lim-
- 7 itations specified in section 3744 of title 10, United States
- 8 Code, or any other time limitation with respect to the

- 1 awarding of certain medals to persons who served in the
- 2 Armed Forces, the President is authorized and requested
- 3 to award the Medal of Honor posthumously under section
- 4 3741 of such title to Emil Kapaun for the acts of valor
- 5 during the Korean War described in subsection (b).
- 6 (b) Acts of Valor Described.—The acts of valor
- 7 referred to in subsection (a) are the actions of then Cap-
- 8 tain Emil Kapaun as a member of the 8th Cavalry Regi-
- 9 ment during the Battle of Usan on November 1 and 2,
- 10 1950, and while a prisoner of war until his death on May
- 11 23, 1951, during the Korean War.

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