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Honoring those persons whose lives have been taken by bacterial meningitis and those who continue to struggle with bacterial meningitis and its consequences, and supporting all work for the eradication of bacterial meningitis in the United States.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

SEPTEMBER 20, 2011

Mr. BRADY of Texas submitted the following resolution; which was referred to the Committee on Energy and Commerce

RESOLUTION

Honoring those persons whose lives have been taken by bacterial meningitis and those who continue to struggle with bacterial meningitis and its consequences, and supporting all work for the eradication of bacterial meningitis in the United States.

Whereas Ryan Wayne Milley of Conroe, Texas, was born on September 20, 1979;

Whereas when Ryan Wayne Milley was 18 years old, his life was taken by meningococcal meningitis;

Whereas meningococcal, pneumococcal, and HIB meningitis are forms of bacterial meningitis, an infection of the meninges, the thin lining that surrounds the brain and spinal cord;

Whereas bacterial meningitis is a deadly, debilitating disease that especially affects infants, children, teenagers, young adults, and those with compromised immune systems;

Whereas early symptoms of bacterial meningitis may include high fever, headache, and a stiff neck;

Whereas thousands of infants, children, teenagers, and young adults are diagnosed with bacterial meningitis each year;

Whereas the organization Meningitis Angels was founded in memory of Ryan Wayne Milley;

Whereas Meningitis Angels raises public awareness of bacterial meningitis and measures, including immunization, to prevent bacterial meningitis, through awareness campaigns at schools, day cares, universities, and in the government and media; and

Whereas Meningitis Angels is dedicated to “Meningitis Angels”, including all persons who have bacterial meningitis, whose lives have been taken by bacterial meningitis, or who have survived bacterial meningitis, and their families;

Whereas September 20, the anniversary of Ryan Wayne Milley’s birth, would be an appropriate day to honor Ryan Wayne Milley and all Meningitis Angels across the United States: Now, therefore, be it

1 *Resolved*, That the House of Representatives—

2 (1) honors those persons whose lives have been
3 taken by bacterial meningitis and those who con-
4 tinue to struggle with bacterial meningitis and its
5 consequences; and

- 1 (2) supports all work for the eradication of bac-
- 2 terial meningitis in the United States.

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