

HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 18

IN THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF ALASKA

TWENTY-SEVENTH LEGISLATURE - FIRST SESSION

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Referred: House Special Committee on Military and Veterans' Affairs, Judiciary

A RESOLUTION

1 **Relating to the case of U.S. v. Hasan and to the decision of the Judge Advocate General**
2 **of the United States Army with respect to that case.**

3 **BE IT RESOLVED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF ALASKA:**

4 **WHEREAS**, on November 5, 2009, Major Nidal Malik Hasan, M.D., entered his
5 workplace, the Soldier Readiness Processing Center in Fort Hood, Texas, with two concealed
6 weapons; and

7 **WHEREAS**, Mr. Hasan cried out "Allahu Akbar," which means "Allah is greatest,"
8 and opened fire on military personnel and civilian employees; and

9 **WHEREAS**, Mr. Hasan shot and killed 12 unarmed soldiers, a civilian, and an unborn
10 child, namely Chief Warrant Officer (retired) Mike Cahill, Maj. Libardo Caraveo, Staff Sgt.
11 Justin Decrow, Capt. John Gaffaney, Spc. Frederick Greene, Spc. Jason Hunt, Staff Sgt. Amy
12 Krueger, Pfc. Aaron Nemelka, Pfc. Michael Pearson, Capt. Russell Seager, Lt. Col. Juanita
13 Warman, Pfc. Kham Xiong, and Pfc. Francheska Velez, who was pregnant at the time of her
14 death; and

15 **WHEREAS**, Mr. Hasan wounded 29 others, including persons attempting to give
16 medical aid to the wounded; and

1 **WHEREAS** Mr. Hasan had prior connections with Anwar al-Awlaki, a known al-
2 Qaeda terrorist; and

3 **WHEREAS** Mr. Hasan has been known to make statements sympathetic to Islamic
4 extremist ideologies and actions; and

5 **WHEREAS** Mr. Hasan, by committing these crimes on a military base and against
6 military personnel, perpetrated an act of terrorism against the United States; and

7 **WHEREAS** this act of terrorism by Mr. Hasan, an American citizen and a member of
8 the United States armed forces, constitutes treason;

9 **BE IT RESOLVED** that the Alaska State Legislature urges the Judge Advocate
10 General of the United States Army to consider all of the evidence and, if justified by the
11 evidence, carefully consider the death penalty as a sentencing option for Nidal Malik Hasan.

12 **A COPY** of this resolution shall be sent to Lieutenant General Dana K. Chipman,
13 Judge Advocate General of the United States Army.