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96TH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

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D. ADAM CRUMBLISS, Chief Clerk

AN ACT

To amend chapter 9, RSMo, by adding thereto one new section relating to the designation of veterans of operation Iraq/enduring freedom day.

Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the state of Missouri, as follows:

Section A. Chapter 9, RSMo, is amended by adding thereto one new section, to be
2 known as section 9.086, to read as follows:

3 **9.086. In recognition of the courage and unwavering patriotism of those valiant**
4 **men and women of the armed forces of the United States who served in Operation Iraqi**
5 **Freedom, Operation Enduring Freedom, Operation Desert Storm, and all future**
6 **military operations within the Iraq and Afghanistan regions, March twenty-sixth of**
7 **each year shall be known and designated as "Veterans of Operation Iraq/Enduring**
8 **Freedom Day" in Missouri. The citizens of the state of Missouri are encouraged to**
9 **observe the day with appropriate events, activities, and remembrances in honor of the**
10 **veterans who bravely fought, served, and sacrificed during the military operations in**
Iraq and Afghanistan and in gratitude for their courageous service given and sacrifices
made on behalf of our nation.

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EXPLANATION — Matter enclosed in bold-faced brackets [thus] in the above bill is not enacted and is intended to be omitted from the law. Matter in **bold-face** type in the above bill is proposed language.