

SR001-0607

10 **A SIMPLE RESOLUTION CONCERNING AN ACT OF HEROISM**

20 **WHEREAS:** Dr. Liviu Librescu was killed in massacre at Virginia Tech perpetrated by Cho Seung-hui while
30 holding off the shooter by blocking a door so that students could escape out the window; and,

40 **WHEREAS:** Dr. Librescu was a survivor of the Holocaust; and,

50 **WHEREAS:** Dr. Librescu was a respected member of the scientific community worldwide; and,

60 **WHEREAS:** He was elected a member of the Sciences and Shipbuilding Academy of the Ukraine; and,

70 **WHEREAS:** He was elected Foreign Fellow of the Academy of Engineering of Armenia; and,

80 **WHEREAS:** The Presidential Medal of Freedom is awarded on or near July 4th to individuals who have made
90 "an especially meritorious contribution to the security or national interests of the United States,
100 world peace, cultural or other significant public or private endeavors."

110 **THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED:** That the Maryland Student Legislature urges the President of the United
120 States to posthumously bestow the Presidential Medal of Freedom on Doctor Liviu Librescu for
130 his contributions to peace and science, specifically his selfless act of heroism in the Virginia Tech
140 massacre.

150 **MANDATES:** President George W. Bush

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