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To enact section 5.63 of the Revised Code to	1
designate August 26th as "Abbey Gate Remembrance	2
Day."	3

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF OHIO:

Section 1. That section 5.63 of the Revised Code be	4
enacted to read as follows:	5

<u>Sec. 5.63.</u> The twenty-sixth day of August is designated as	6
"Abbey Gate Remembrance Day" to honor hospital corpsman third	7
class Maxton W. Soviak of Berlin Heights, Ohio; lance corporal	8
David L. Espinoza of Rio Bravo, Texas; sergeant Nicole L. Gee of	9
Roseville, California; staff sergeant Darin T. Hoover of Salt	10
Lake City, Utah; staff sergeant Ryan C. Knauss of Corryton,	11
Tennessee; corporal Hunter Lopez of Indio, California; lance	12
corporal Rylee J. McCollum of Jackson, Wyoming; corporal Dylan	13
R. Merola of Rancho Cucamonga, California; lance corporal Kareem	14
M. Nikoui of Norco, California; sergeant Johanny Rosario	15
Pichardo of Lawrence, Massachusetts; corporal Humberto A.	16
Sanchez of Logansport, Indiana; corporal Jared M. Schmitz of	17
Saint Charles, Missouri; and corporal Daegan W. Page of Omaha,	18

<u>Nebraska: members of the United States armed forces who</u>	19
<u>tragically lost their lives during an attack at the Abbey Gate</u>	20
<u>of Hamid Karzai international airport in Kabul, Afghanistan,</u>	21
<u>while supporting operation allies refuge in 2021.</u>	22