WASHINGTON - Congressman Spencer Bachus has written to the Department of the Army asking it to review the case of Pfc. Johnathon Millican of County Line to determine the suitability of awarding the fallen soldier a posthumous Medal of Honor.

Reports have emerged that Millican saved the lives of four troop members by covering an enemy grenade with his body during an insurgent attack in Karbala, Iraq on January 20.

"Pfc. Millican has already been nominated for a Silver Star for his exemplary service in relation to the incident," Bachus stated in a letter to the Office of Army Liaison. "If his actions warrant, then he should receive full consideration for the Medal of Honor."

Millican, 20, was a member of the 377th Parachute Field Artillery Regiment based in Fort Richardson, Alaska.

The Medal of Honor is awarded for extraordinary heroism during enemy combat. It must ultimately be approved by the Pentagon and President. Awards have previously been authorized for two U.S. soldiers during the fighting in Iraq.