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RESOLUTION

1 WHEREAS, Words cannot adequately express the sorrow felt at 2 the loss of U.S. Army Staff Sergeant Hector Perez of Corpus Christi, 3 who lost his life in battle at the age of 40; and

WHEREAS, This courageous soldier embarked from Fort Campbell, Kentucky, in support of our nation's campaign to liberate Iraqi citizens from oppression; a member of the 101st Airborne Division, he was killed in action when his convoy was ambushed near Al Hawd; and

9 WHEREAS, The beloved husband of Elisa Perez and father of 10 three devoted daughters, Staff Sergeant Perez lived life to the 11 fullest and treasured his family above all else; he died on July 24, 12 2003, for the hopes and dreams of men and women in this country, and 13 so that men and women in a faraway country could also hope and 14 dream; and

WHEREAS, Unflinching bravery and a resolute commitment to fulfill his oath to serve, regardless of the personal consequences, were demonstrated by this valorous American, who gave his life to preserve liberty; the State of Texas and the nation now mourn the loss of Hector Perez: a soldier for a time, a hero forever; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 78th Texas Legislature, 2nd Called Session, hereby honor the life of Hector Perez and extend deepest sympathy to his family: to his wife, Elisa Perez; to his daughters, Maria, Elisa, and Lily; to his father,

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Esequiel Perez; to his sister, Sandra Perez-Vasquez; and to his other relatives and many friends; and, be it further

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3 RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be 4 prepared for his family and that when the Texas House of 5 Representatives adjourns this day, it do so in memory of Hector 6 Perez.