

R E S O L U T I O N

1           WHEREAS, The family and friends of Sergeant Steven Wayne  
2 White suffered an immeasurable loss with the death of this beloved  
3 man in Iraq on August 13, 2003, at the age of 29; and

4           WHEREAS, Making his career in the United States Army,  
5 Sergeant White had served in Iraq for approximately four months; he  
6 was mortally injured when his M113 armored personnel carrier, part  
7 of a four-vehicle convoy, hit an antitank mine near Tikrit; and

8           WHEREAS, Born in Dallas, Steven White grew up in Fruitvale  
9 and attended Fruitvale High School, where he worked on the yearbook  
10 and belonged to the FFA, the History Club, the Spanish Club, the  
11 Beta Club, and De-Fy-It (Drug Free Youth in Texas); he was an able,  
12 responsible student and was highly regarded by his classmates, who  
13 elected him prom king during his senior year; and

14           WHEREAS, This courageous soldier fulfilled a longtime  
15 ambition when he enlisted in the U.S. Army immediately following  
16 his graduation from high school in 1992; based at Fort Hood before  
17 being posted to the Middle East, he served as a mechanic with  
18 Headquarters and Headquarters Battery, 4th Battalion, 42nd Field  
19 Artillery Regiment, 4th Infantry Division; and

20           WHEREAS, During his decade in the service, Sergeant White was  
21 awarded two National Defense Service Medals, two Army Achievement  
22 Medals, the Army Service Ribbon, and a Good Conduct Medal; and

23           WHEREAS, When on leave, he liked to return home to visit  
24 family and friends, including former teachers; a man who enjoyed  
25 simple pleasures, he was also a caring individual who was always

1 ready to lend a helping hand to others; and

2 WHEREAS, Steven White was married to Laniece DePree White,  
3 his high school sweetheart, with whom he had three sons and one  
4 daughter; and

5 WHEREAS, Americans owe an immeasurable debt to the nation's  
6 military personnel, who have served valiantly throughout this  
7 country's history and whose efforts and sacrifice in their nation's  
8 behalf are deserving of their fellow citizens' deepest gratitude;  
9 and

10 WHEREAS, Through his unfaltering devotion to duty, honor, and  
11 his country, Sergeant White embodied the highest ideals of the  
12 armed service, and the blessing of his life will be forever  
13 cherished by those who were privileged to share his love and  
14 friendship; now, therefore, be it

15 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 78th Texas  
16 Legislature, 2nd Called Session, hereby pay special tribute to the  
17 life of Sergeant Steven Wayne White and extend sincere sympathy to  
18 the members of his family: to his wife, Laniece DePree White; to  
19 his four children; to his father, Charles White; to his brother,  
20 Junior White; to his sisters, Cheryle Thompson and Sandra  
21 McCormick; and to his other relatives and many friends; and, be it  
22 further

23 RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be  
24 prepared for his family and that when the Texas House of  
25 Representatives adjourns this day, it do so in memory of Sergeant  
26 Steven Wayne White.

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Allen	Giddings	Merritt
Alonzo	Goodman	Miller
Bailey	Goolsby	Moreno of Harris
Baxter	Griggs	Moreno of El Paso
Berman	Grusendorf	Morrison
Bohac	Guillen	Mowery
Bonnen	Gutierrez	Naishtat
Branch	Haggerty	Nixon
Brown of Kaufman	Hamilton	Noriega
Brown of Brazos	Hamric	Oliveira
Burnam	Hardcastle	Olivo
Callegari	Harper-Brown	Paxton
Campbell	Hartnett	Pena
Canales	Heflin	Phillips
Capelo	Hegar	Pickett
Casteel	Hilderbran	Pitts
Castro	Hill	Puente
Chavez	Hochberg	Quintanilla
Chisum	Hodge	Raymond
Christian	Homer	Reyna
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Cook of Navarro	Hopson	Ritter
Cook of Colorado	Howard	Rodriguez
Corte	Hughes	Rose
Crabb	Hunter	Seaman
Crownover	Hupp	Smith of Tarrant
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Delisi	Jones of Dallas	Solomons
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Deshotel	Keffer of Dallas	Swinford
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Dutton	Krusee	Thompson
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Elkins	Lewis	Van Arsdale
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Escobar	Mabry	West
Farabee	Madden	Wilson
Farrar	Marchant	Wise
Flores	Martinez Fischer	Wohlgemuth
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Gallego	McClendon	Wong
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Gattis	Menendez	Zedler

H.R. No. 142

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Speaker of the House

I certify that H.R. No. 142 was unanimously adopted by a rising vote of the House on August 22, 2003.

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Chief Clerk of the House