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R E S O L U T I O N

1 WHEREAS, U.S. Army Private First Class Cody J. Orr of
2 Kerrville died on January 17, 2004, while serving his country in
3 Iraq, and his untimely passing offers an opportunity to remember
4 this patriotic young man; and

5 WHEREAS, Born in Tampa, Florida, on May 16, 1982, Pfc. Orr
6 enlisted in the army in May 2002 and had been stationed at Fort Hood
7 since February 2003; he was assigned to the 2nd Battalion, 20th
8 Field Artillery Regiment, 4th Infantry Division, and was held in
9 high regard by the members of his unit; and

10 WHEREAS, Pfc. Orr was nearing the end of his yearlong tour of
11 duty in Iraq when he and two of his fellow soldiers were killed
12 while searching for land mines and roadside bombs near Taji, north
13 of Baghdad; the soldiers died after their Bradley Fighting Vehicle
14 detonated an improvised explosive device; and

15 WHEREAS, A newlywed, Pfc. Orr leaves behind his young widow,
16 Jackie Orr, as well as his parents, Bob and Debbie Orr, and six
17 siblings; he will be remembered not only for his ever-present John
18 Deere baseball cap and his passion for all things mechanical, but
19 also for his love of country and his sense of duty; now, therefore,
20 be it

21 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 78th Texas
22 Legislature, 4th Called Session, hereby pay tribute to Private
23 First Class Cody J. Orr and extend sincere sympathy to the members
24 of his family: to his wife, Jackie Orr; to his parents, Bob and

1 Debbie Orr; to his sisters, Patty Askew, Leoni Hinssen, and Annette
2 Gargtland; to his brothers, Bobbie Marsh, Timmy Marsh, and Scott
3 Orr; to his grandmother, Lois Miller; to his numerous aunts,
4 uncles, nieces, nephews, and cousins; and to the many other
5 relatives and friends of this beloved young man; and, be it further

6 RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be
7 prepared for the family of this brave and loyal soldier and that
8 when the Texas House of Representatives adjourns this day, it do so
9 in memory of Private First Class Cody J. Orr.