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R E S O L U T I O N

1 WHEREAS, Texans, and indeed all Americans, are deeply  
2 indebted to this country's military personnel, who through the  
3 years have brought to their endeavors an exceptional degree of  
4 courage, idealism, and professionalism, and we recognize that these  
5 admirable men and women too often face the ultimate sacrifice in the  
6 course of carrying out their arduous missions; and

7 WHEREAS, The United States Department of Defense has  
8 reported, as of April 15, 2004, the names of 76 men and women from  
9 Texas who have died in Operation Enduring Freedom and Operation  
10 Iraqi Freedom; these individuals are being mourned by families,  
11 friends, and communities across the State of Texas; and

12 WHEREAS, Those lost in Operation Enduring Freedom are  
13 Sergeant First Class Nathan Chapman; Staff Sergeant Brian Craig;  
14 Specialist Rodrigo Gonzalez-Garza; Sergeant First Class John  
15 Taylor; Technical Sergeant John Chapman; Airman First Class Raymond  
16 Losano; and Staff Sergeant John Teal; and

17 WHEREAS, Texans lost in Operation Iraqi Freedom are Corporal  
18 Daniel Amaya; Specialist Edward Anguiano; Chief Warrant Officer  
19 Andrew Todd Arnold; Specialist Richard Arriaga; Specialist Robert  
20 Arsiaga; Private First Class Chad Bales; Sergeant Michael Paul  
21 Barrera; Chief Warrant Officer Michael Blaise; Captain Ernesto  
22 Blanco; Chief Warrant Officer Clarence Boone; Specialist Adolf  
23 Carballo; Lance Corporal James Casper; Staff Sergeant Roland  
24 Castro; Staff Sergeant Gary Collins; Specialist Zeferino Colunga;

1 Private Rey Cuervo; Captain Eric Das; Staff Sergeant Joe Dunigan;  
2 Sergeant William Eckhart; Private Ruben Estrella-Soto; Master  
3 Sergeant George Fernandez; Private Robert Frantz; Specialist  
4 Israel Garza; First Sergeant Joe Garza; Lance Corporal Shane  
5 Goldman; Private First Class Analaura Esparza Gutierrez; Private  
6 First Class Clayton Henson; Master Sergeant Kelly Hornbeck; First  
7 Lieutenant Doyle Hufstedler; Private First Class Ray Hutchinson;  
8 Chief Warrant Officer Scott Jamar; Specialist John Johnson; Staff  
9 Sergeant Phillip Jordan; Specialist Michael Karr, Jr.; Corporal  
10 Brian Matthew Kennedy; Specialist James Kiehl; Specialist Scott  
11 Larson; Private First Class Jason Ludlam; Corporal Matthew Matula;  
12 Corporal Jesus Martin Antonio Medellin; Sergeant Daniel Methvin;  
13 Private First Class Anthony Miller; Private First Class Stuart  
14 Moore; Sergeant Gerardo Moreno; Private First Class Ricky Morris,  
15 Jr.; Sergeant Keelan Moss; Specialist Joseph Norquist; Captain Eric  
16 Paliwoda; Private First Class James Parker; Staff Sergeant Hector  
17 Perez; Specialist Jose Perez III; Specialist Larry Polley, Jr.;  
18 Sergeant Christopher Ramirez; Sergeant Ariel Rico; Second  
19 Lieutenant Jonathan Rozier; Sergeant John Russell; Private First  
20 Class Leroy Sandoval, Jr.; Specialist Christian Schulz; Private  
21 First Class Dustin Sekula; Corporal Tomas Sotelo, Jr.; Specialist  
22 Joseph Suell; Lance Corporal Elias Torrez III; Lance Corporal Ruben  
23 Valdez, Jr.; Sergeant Melissa Valles; Lance Corporal Michael  
24 Wafford; Specialist James Wright; Private First Class Jason Wright;  
25 Private First Class Stephen Wyatt; and Sergeant Henry Ybarra III;  
26 and

27 WHEREAS, Our state and nation are fortunate to have men and

1 women whose love of country leads them to military service, yet the  
2 deaths of these brave Texans are a sobering reminder that war is not  
3 without great and terrible cost; it is fitting that we acknowledge  
4 the immeasurable sacrifice rendered by these, our fellow citizens,  
5 and that we honor, preserve, and perpetuate their memory; now,  
6 therefore, be it

7       RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 78th Texas  
8 Legislature, 4th Called Session, hereby pay special tribute to the  
9 Texans who have given their lives in Operation Enduring Freedom and  
10 Operation Iraqi Freedom and that deepest sympathy be extended to  
11 those who will forever carry them in their hearts.