

R E S O L U T I O N

1 WHEREAS, The people of Texas have a long and proud tradition
2 of service in the armed forces of the United States, and Joshua
3 Benjamin Kelley has sustained that tradition through his valiant
4 efforts in the Iraqi campaign; and

5 WHEREAS, This courageous soldier fulfilled a longtime
6 ambition when he enlisted in the U.S. Army immediately following
7 his graduation from Monterrey High School in 1998; based at Fort
8 Hood before being deployed to the Middle East, he currently serves
9 with the 1st Cavalry Division at Camp War Eagle in Baghdad; and

10 WHEREAS, Though Sergeant Kelley's original enlistment ended
11 in 2002, the tragic events of September 11, 2001, strengthened his
12 resolve and affirmed his commitment to defend his country of birth;
13 determined to do his share for the war against terror, he reenlisted
14 and requested assignment with the 1st Cavalry Division; and

15 WHEREAS, Americans everywhere owe these young men and women
16 an immeasurable debt of gratitude for the burdens and sacrifice
17 they have assumed, and for their unwavering dedication to those
18 rights and ideals that have made this nation, for so many around the
19 world, the promised land; now, therefore, be it

20 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 78th Texas
21 Legislature, 4th Called Session, hereby honor Joshua Benjamin
22 Kelley for his service and extend to him profound appreciation for
23 his brave and steadfast efforts in this country's behalf; and, be it
24 further

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1 RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be
2 prepared for Sergeant Kelley as an expression of high regard by the
3 Texas House of Representatives.

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Speaker of the House

I certify that H.R. No. 135 was adopted by the House on May 11, 2004, by a non-record vote.

Chief Clerk of the House