

R E S O L U T I O N

1 WHEREAS, The family and friends of U.S. Army Sergeant Isela
2 Rubalcava of El Paso suffered an immeasurable loss with the death of
3 this courageous soldier in Iraq on May 8, 2004, at the age of 25; and

4 WHEREAS, Sergeant Rubalcava joined the U.S. Army in 2000 and
5 became a supply technician with the Army's Stryker Brigade Combat
6 team based at Fort Lewis, Washington; deployed to Iraq in November
7 2003 and assigned to the C 296th Combat Support Battalion, 3rd
8 Brigade, 2nd Infantry Division, Sergeant Rubalcava was killed when
9 a mortar round exploded near her in Mosul; and

10 WHEREAS, An El Paso native and 1996 Canutillo High School
11 graduate, Isela Rubalcava attended The University of Texas at El
12 Paso and Sul Ross State University; she is described by friends and
13 relatives as a beautiful, funny, and free-spirited person who was
14 filled with happiness and energy and who achieved any goal she set
15 her heart on; and

16 WHEREAS, Through her selfless and unfaltering devotion to
17 duty, honor, and her country, this courageous Texan embodied the
18 highest ideals of the armed services, and we owe a profound debt to
19 Sergeant Rubalcava and her family for the enormous sacrifice they
20 have paid; while she will be remembered always by her loved ones as
21 a caring daughter, sister, niece, cousin, granddaughter, and
22 friend, she will be remembered by her country as a hero; now,
23 therefore, be it

24 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 78th Texas

H.R. No. 320

1 Legislature, 4th Called Session, hereby pay tribute to the life of
2 Sergeant Isela Rubalcava, United States Army, and extend deepest
3 sympathies to her parents, Ramon and Maria Isela Rubalcava, her
4 brothers, and her other relatives and many friends; and, be it
5 further

6 RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be
7 prepared for her family and that when the Texas House of
8 Representatives adjourns this day, it do so in memory of U.S. Army
9 Sergeant Isela Rubalcava.

Chavez
Moreno of El Paso
Haggerty
Pickett
Quintanilla

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Speaker of the House

I certify that H.R. No. 320 was unanimously adopted by a rising vote of the House on May 17, 2004.

Chief Clerk of the House