## SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 47

## In Memory of Christopher Ramirez

WHEREAS, The Senate of the State of Texas joins the citizens of Edinburg in mourning the loss of United States Army Sergeant Christopher Ramirez, who died on April 14, 2004, at the age of 34, while serving his country during Operation Iraqi Freedom; and

WHEREAS, Sergeant Ramirez made the ultimate sacrifice for his country in a foreign land during a time of extreme danger; he was a brave soldier, and his death represents the sacrifices made by members of our military and their families; and

WHEREAS, A 14-year United States Army veteran, Chris was serving with the 1st Infantry Division out of Fort Riley, Kansas, and was on his third tour of duty in Iraq; he had previously served in the Persian Gulf War and as a peacekeeper in Kosovo; and

WHEREAS, Chris was a member of a large and devoted family who will miss his laughter, his playful manner, and his zest for life; and

WHEREAS, He was a loyal son, a dependable brother, and a true American hero, and he leaves behind memories that will be treasured forever by his family and many friends; now, therefore, be it RESOLVED, That the Senate of the State of Texas,
78th Legislature, 4th Called Session, hereby pay tribute to

United States Army Sergeant Christopher Ramirez and extend sincere condolences to his bereaved family; and, be it further

RESOLVED, That a copy of this Resolution be prepared for his family as an expression of deepest sympathy from the Texas Senate, and that when the Senate adjourns this day, it do so in memory of Sergeant Christopher Ramirez.

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President of the Senate I hereby certify that the above Resolution was adopted by the Senate on May 3, 2004, by a rising vote.

Secretary of the Senate