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CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

1 WHEREAS, Throughout the history of this nation, in times of
2 great peril, men and women of the United States military have
3 marched bravely into battle to defend our precious liberties; and

4 WHEREAS, U.S. Army Specialist Shoshana Johnson embarked from
5 Fort Bliss in support of our nation's campaign to liberate Iraqi
6 citizens from repression; a chef for the 507th Maintenance Company,
7 she was taken captive after her convoy was ambushed in Iraq; and

8 WHEREAS, Specialist Johnson is the devoted mother of a
9 two-year-old daughter, Janelle, and a graduate of Andress High
10 School, where she was a popular student and a member of the drill
11 team; following in her father's footsteps, she has served with
12 distinction in the U.S. Army since 1998; and

13 WHEREAS, Unflinching bravery and a resolute commitment to
14 fulfill her oath to serve, regardless of the personal consequences,
15 have been demonstrated by Specialist Johnson on a desolate and
16 foreign battlefield; this valorous American is now held captive by
17 enemies of all nations who cherish individual freedom, unbiased
18 judgment, and human dignity; and

19 WHEREAS, It is the fervent hope of all Texans that the day of
20 liberation comes swiftly for this brave soldier and that she finds
21 comfort, during the darkness of her captivity, in knowing that
22 citizens throughout this state and nation hold her in their
23 thoughts and prayers; now, therefore, be it

24 RESOLVED, That the 78th Legislature of the State of Texas

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1 hereby pay tribute to U.S. Army Specialist Shoshana Johnson for her
2 courageous actions and extend to the members of her family
3 heartfelt best wishes for her safe and expeditious return.