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H.C.R. No. 231

CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

1 WHEREAS, In times of great peril throughout the history of
2 our nation, men and women of the United States military have gone
3 bravely into battle; and

4 WHEREAS, U.S. Marine Private First Class Juan Guadalupe
5 Garza, Jr., departed from Camp Pendleton, California, in support of
6 our nation's campaign to liberate Iraqi citizens from repression;
7 he was killed in action by a sniper while guarding the Baghdad
8 airport; and

9 WHEREAS, Private Garza was a young man who took great
10 pleasure in seeing others smile and loved his close-knit family
11 above all else; he died April 8, 2003, for the hopes and dreams of
12 men and women in his country and so that men and women in a faraway
13 country could also hope and dream; and

14 WHEREAS, Unflinching bravery and a resolute commitment to
15 fulfill his oath to serve, regardless of the personal consequences,
16 were demonstrated by this valorous American; the State of Texas and
17 the nation now mourn the loss of Juan Garza, Jr.: a soldier for a
18 brief period, a hero forever; now, therefore, be it

19 RESOLVED, That the 78th Texas Legislature of the State of
20 Texas hereby honor the life of Juan Guadalupe Garza, Jr., and extend
21 to his family deepest sympathy: to his wife, Casey Garza; to his
22 mother, Mary Ann Garza; to his father, Juan Guadalupe Garza, Sr.; to
23 his brother and sisters; to his grandparents, Rodrigo and Carmen
24 Garza; and to his other relatives and many friends; and, be it

1 further

2 RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be
3 prepared for the members of his family and that when the Texas House
4 of Representatives and Senate adjourn this day, they do so in memory
5 of Private Juan Garza, Jr.