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H.R. No. 1799

R E S O L U T I O N

1           WHEREAS, The House of Representatives of the State of Texas  
2 is pleased to pay tribute to United States Army Private First Class  
3 Jessica Lynch for the courage she displayed during Operation Iraqi  
4 Freedom in March of 2003; and

5           WHEREAS, The former prisoner of war has become the human face  
6 of both the heroism and horror of the war with Iraq; Private Lynch  
7 was taken captive after a fierce battle with Iraqi forces on March  
8 23, 2003; she was rescued in a daring raid by American special  
9 operations forces nine days later; and

10           WHEREAS, The 19-year-old supply clerk from Palestine, West  
11 Virginia, was traveling with her 507th Maintenance Company from  
12 Fort Bliss when the convoy was ambushed by Iraqi militia fighters;  
13 Private Lynch fought intensely and bravely before being captured as  
14 a prisoner of war; she sustained injuries in her lower back vertebra  
15 and multiple fractures in her right arm, left leg, and right ankle  
16 and foot, and she now faces months of rehabilitation; and

17           WHEREAS, Heroes are those people who inspire us by their  
18 courage and perseverance when faced with danger; they possess  
19 qualities that include strength, bravery, and resourcefulness, and  
20 Private Lynch is such a person; and

21           WHEREAS, Now known to the world as a true American hero,  
22 Private Lynch is an inspiration to others and a source of great  
23 pride to her family, her community, and her country; now,  
24 therefore, be it

1           RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 78th Texas  
2   Legislature hereby commend Jessica Lynch for her superior courage  
3   and tenacity and extend to her best wishes for a swift recovery and  
4   much success in the future; and, be it further

5           RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be  
6   prepared for Private Lynch as an expression of esteem from the Texas  
7   House of Representatives.