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## RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, The family and friends of U.S. Army Specialist Eric
Poelman suffered an immeasurable loss with the death of this
valiant 21-year-old soldier in Iraq on June 5, 2005; and

WHEREAS, Notwithstanding the hardships that he faced in a war zone, Specialist Poelman performed his work with pride and professionalism, his steadfast commitment to his mission made all the more firm by a strongly felt desire to help the Iraqi people; and

9 WHEREAS, Specialist Poelman joined the Army in January 2003 10 and was excited to have the opportunity to not only serve his 11 country, but also to drive the big tanks that he loved; he enjoyed 12 working with his hands and was known to be caring and compassionate, 13 always ready to help others in need; and

14 WHEREAS, Through his unwavering dedication to duty, honor, 15 and this nation, Eric Poelman embodied the highest ideals of the 16 armed services, and the blessing of his life will be forever 17 treasured by those who were privileged to share in the warmth of his 18 love and friendship; now, therefore, be it

19 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 79th Texas 20 Legislature, 1st Called Session, hereby pay tribute to the life of 21 U.S. Army Specialist Eric Poelman and extend sincere sympathy to 22 the members of his family: to his wife, Renate Poelman; to his 23 parents, Matt and Sally Poelman; to his brothers, Andy and Greg 24 Poelman; and to his other relatives and many friends; and, be it

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2 RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be 3 prepared for his family and that when the Texas House of 4 Representatives adjourns this day, it do so in memory of U.S. Army 5 Specialist Eric Poelman.

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Speaker of the House

I certify that H.R. No. 233 was unanimously adopted by a rising vote of the House on July 19, 2005.

Chief Clerk of the House