

R E S O L U T I O N

1 WHEREAS, The family and friends of U.S. Army National Guard
2 Sergeant Jessie Davila suffered an immeasurable loss with the death
3 of this valiant soldier in Iraq on February 20, 2006, at the age of
4 29; and

5 WHEREAS, Assigned to Company A, 2nd Battalion, 137th
6 Infantry, Sergeant Davila was killed when his patrol came under
7 attack in Baghdad; and

8 WHEREAS, A loving father, son, and brother, he was born July
9 15, 1976, in Raymondville; he joined the U.S. Marine Corps shortly
10 after his graduation from high school in Greensburg, Kansas, and
11 served a tour of duty in the Middle East, attaining the rank of
12 corporal; later joining the Army National Guard, he was deployed to
13 Iraq in November 2005; and

14 WHEREAS, Possessed of a great sense of humor and a winning
15 smile, Sergeant Davila was an avid outdoorsman who enjoyed hunting,
16 fishing, and working with horses and cattle; and

17 WHEREAS, Our state and nation are fortunate to have men and
18 women whose love for their country inspires them to take up military
19 service, yet the tragic death of this exemplary young man is a
20 sobering reminder of the cost of war; Sergeant Davila embodied the
21 highest ideals of the U.S. Armed Forces, and those who knew and
22 cherished him will forever carry him close in their hearts; now,
23 therefore, be it

24 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 79th Texas

1 Legislature, 3rd Called Session, hereby pay tribute to the life of
2 Jessie Davila and extend deepest sympathy to the members of his
3 family: to his daughter, Sydney Katherine Davila; to his father,
4 Santiago; to his mother, Clara; to his stepmother, Linda Klaus; to
5 his brother, Jacob Davila; to his sister, Rose Allphin; to his
6 paternal grandmother, Maria Luisa Davila; to his step-grandfather,
7 Andrew Klaus; to his fiancée, Yvette Goff; and to his other
8 relatives and many friends; and, be it further

9 RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be
10 prepared for his family and that when the Texas House of
11 Representatives adjourns this day, it do so in memory of U.S. Army
12 National Guard Sergeant Jessie Davila.

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H.R. No. 348

Speaker of the House

I certify that H.R. No. 348 was unanimously adopted by a rising vote of the House on May 10, 2006.

Chief Clerk of the House