By: Escobar H.R. No. 348

RESOLUTION

- 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
- smile, Sergeant Davila was an avid outdoorsman who enjoyed hunting,
- 16 fishing, and working with horses and cattle; and
- WHEREAS, Our state and nation are fortunate to have men and
- 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

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- 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.