By: Escobar H.R. No. 594

RESOLUTION

1 WHEREAS, Words cannot adequately express the heartache felt

at the loss of U.S. Army Sergeant Johnny Joe Peralez, Jr., of

Falfurrias, who died in Iraq on January 5, 2006, at the age of 25;

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5 WHEREAS, Sergeant Peralez served as a combat medic with the

6 3rd Battalion, 16th Field Artillery, 2nd Brigade Combat Team, 4th

Infantry Division; since joining the military in 1999, he had

8 served tours in Kosovo, Afghanistan, and Iraq; and

9 WHEREAS, Born and reared in the Lone Star State, Sergeant

Peralez graduated from Falfurrias High School, where he was a

member of the Fightin' Jersey boys' tennis squad and participated in

the band, student council, and one-act plays; and

WHEREAS, A man who gave his best effort to everything he cared

about, this courageous Texan performed his dangerous mission with

dedication and professionalism; his unfaltering devotion to duty,

16 honor, and his country reflected the highest ideals of the armed

forces, and his fellow citizens owe him a debt of gratitude that the

18 passage of time can never diminish; now, therefore, be it

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

Legislature, 3rd Called Session, hereby pay special tribute to the

life of Sergeant Johnny Joe Peralez, Jr., and extend sincere

22 sympathy to the members of his family: to his mother, Virginia

23 Garcia; to his father, Johnny J. Peralez, Sr.; to his grandmother,

24 Carmen Arellano; to his sister, Nina Kristine Peralez; to his

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- 1 brothers, Romeo Villa and Jessie Rene Peralez; to his grandparents,
- 2 Pedro Vasquez and Joe and Tomasa Peralez; to his girlfriend, Luisa
- 3 Reyes; and to his other relatives and many friends; and, be it
- 4 further
- 5 RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be
- 6 prepared for his family and that when the Texas House of
- 7 Representatives adjourns this day, it do so in memory of Sergeant
- 8 Johnny Joe Peralez, Jr.