SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 78

In Memory of Clayton Welch Henson

WHEREAS, The Senate of the State of Texas joins the citizens of Stanton and Midland in mourning the loss of Private First Class Clayton Welch Henson, who lost his life on April 17, 2004, at the age of 20, while serving his country in Iraq; and

WHEREAS, Clayton was born August 25, 1983, in Big Spring; he joined the United States Army after the terrorist attack on September 11, 2001; he was a member of the 1st Squadron, 2nd Armored Cavalry Regiment, based at Fort Polk, Louisiana; and

WHEREAS, A man of integrity and strength who had a strong sense of duty, he will not be forgotten by those who knew him; he was posthumously awarded the Purple Heart and the Bronze Star for his bravery and dedication to his country; and

WHEREAS, He was a devoted son, grandson, and brother, and he leaves behind memories that will be treasured forever by his family and many friends; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That the Senate of the State of Texas, 79th Legislature, 3rd Called Session, hereby extend sincere condolences to the family of Private First Class Clayton Welch Henson: his parents, Rosalind and James Lewis of Midland and Randy and Leta Henson of Stanton; his sisters, Melissa Henson Leiker and Sharon Henson; his brothers, Lex Lewis, Kason Anderson, and Brandon Anderson; his grandparents, Eldon and Georgia Welch, Jimmy and Janet Henson, Virginia and Chuck James, Kathleen Lewis, and Jack and Dorothy Stovall; and his great-grandmothers, Jessie Glaze, Amelia Ory, and Millie St. John: and, be it further

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RESOLVED, That a copy of this Resolution be prepared for the family of Clayton Henson as an expression of deepest sympathy from the Texas Senate, and that when the Senate adjourns this day, it do so in memory of Clayton Welch Henson.

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President of the Senate

I hereby certify that the above Resolution was adopted by the Senate on April 27, 2006, by a rising vote.

Secretary of the Senate