

HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

1 WHEREAS, The family and friends of Sergeant Brian Baker
2 suffered an immeasurable loss with the death of this beloved young
3 man in Iraq, on November 7, 2004, at the age of 27; and

4 WHEREAS, A dedicated member of Bravo Company, 2nd Battalion,
5 14th Infantry Regiment, 2nd Brigade, 10th Mountain Division,
6 Sergeant Baker was killed while working to keep the peace in a
7 foreign land; and

8 WHEREAS, This courageous soldier was born September 6, 1977,
9 in Springville, New York, and graduated from Springville
10 Griffith-Institute High School in 1996; in his leisure time,
11 Sergeant Baker enjoyed fishing, playing cards with his friends, and
12 riding motorcycles; and

13 WHEREAS, Above all else, he was devoted to his wife, Amy, and
14 children, Coletin, Cadence, and Emily; and

15 WHEREAS, Brian Baker's warm and ever-present smile, his
16 easygoing nature, and his zest for life endeared him to his family
17 and to a host of friends, and his thoughtfulness and concern for
18 others touched many hearts; and

19 WHEREAS, Notwithstanding the hardships that he faced in a war
20 zone, Sergeant Baker performed his work with pride and
21 professionalism, his steadfast commitment to his mission made all
22 the more firm by a strongly felt desire to help the Iraqi people;
23 and

24 WHEREAS, Through his unwavering dedication to duty, honor,

1 and this country, Brian Baker embodied the highest ideals of the
2 armed services, and the blessing of his life will be forever
3 treasured by those who were privileged to share in the warmth of his
4 love and friendship; now, therefore, be it

5 RESOLVED, That the 79th Legislature of the State of Texas
6 hereby honor the life of U.S. Army Sergeant Brian Baker and extend
7 deepest sympathy to the members of his family: to his wife, Amy
8 Baker; to his son, Coletin; to his daughters, Cadence and Emily; to
9 his parents, Greg and Holly Baker; to his brothers, Greg and Jesse
10 Baker; to his sisters, Jenni and Michelle Baker; to his
11 father-in-law and mother-in-law, Dusty and Barbie Roach; to his
12 sister-in-law, Sommer Strong; to his brother-in-law, Ross Roach; to
13 his grandparents, Evelyn Baker and John and Helen Spengler; and to
14 his other relatives and many friends; and, be it further

15 RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be
16 prepared for his family and that when the Texas House of
17 Representatives and Senate adjourn this day, they do so in memory of
18 U.S. Army Sergeant Brian Baker.

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President of the Senate

Speaker of the House

I certify that H.C.R. No. 2 was unanimously adopted by a rising vote of the House on May 9, 2005.

Chief Clerk of the House

I certify that H.C.R. No. 2 was unanimously adopted by a rising vote of the Senate on May 11, 2005.

Secretary of the Senate

APPROVED: _____

Date

Governor