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H.R. No. 82

R E S O L U T I O N

1 WHEREAS, The untimely passing of David Shane Howard of
2 Brenham on September 20, 2003, at the age of 36, has deeply saddened
3 his family and many friends; and

4 WHEREAS, Born in Houston, he graduated from Scarborough High
5 School, Texas State Technical Institute, and Embry-Riddle
6 Aeronautical University, from which he received a bachelor's degree
7 in professional aeronautics; and

8 WHEREAS, A professional pilot, Mr. Howard was awarded his
9 private pilot license in 1987, and went on to earn certification as
10 a ground instructor, flight instructor, commercial pilot, and
11 airline transport pilot; he had been employed with Starflight
12 Aviation since April; and

13 WHEREAS, This proud Texan served his country during Operation
14 Desert Storm/Desert Shield as a member of the United States Air
15 Force, earning decorations including the National Defense Service
16 Medal and the Air Force Achievement Medal; he was selected for the
17 initial testing team for the GBU-28 A/B "Bunker Buster Bomb" and
18 attained the rank of sergeant before his discharge from the
19 military; and

20 WHEREAS, Mr. Howard's civic endeavors included membership
21 with the Vineyard Church of Brenham, the Civil Air Patrol, the
22 Republican Club of Washington County, and Alpha Eta Rho
23 International Aviation Fraternity; in addition, he generously
24 shared his time as a volunteer and speaker in career investigation

1 classes at Brenham Junior High School; and

2 WHEREAS, Although Mr. Howard will be deeply missed, the
3 memory of his delightful sense of humor and his unwavering
4 commitment to his loved ones and his profession will forever endure
5 in the hearts of all those who were privileged to know him; now,
6 therefore, be it

7 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 79th Texas
8 Legislature hereby pay tribute to the life of David Shane Howard and
9 extend sincere sympathy to his wife, Robyn Howard; to his children,
10 Shane and Hannah Grace Howard; and to all those who mourn the
11 passing of this beloved man; and, be it further

12 RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be
13 prepared for his family and that when the Texas House of
14 Representatives adjourns this day, it do so in memory of David Shane
15 Howard.