

R E S O L U T I O N

1 WHEREAS, The family and friends of U.S. Marine Lance Corporal
2 Rhonald Dain Rairdan of San Antonio suffered an immeasurable loss
3 with the death of this valiant soldier on January 26, 2005, at the
4 age of 20; and

5 WHEREAS, A machine gunner, Dain Rairdan died in the crash of a
6 Super Stallion transport helicopter near Ar Rutbah, Iraq; and

7 WHEREAS, This brave young Texan was born on April 22, 1984, at
8 Eglin Air Force Base in Florida into a family with a proud military
9 tradition that goes back generations; reared in Medina County, he
10 was a 2003 graduate of Medina Valley High School, where he was a
11 member of the Junior ROTC Blackhawks Drill Team; following high
12 school, he fulfilled his lifelong dream of joining the U.S. Marine
13 Corps; and

14 WHEREAS, Our state and nation are fortunate to have men and
15 women whose love for their country inspires them to take up military
16 service, yet the tragic death of this exemplary young man is a
17 sobering reminder of the cost of war; Lance Corporal Rairdan
18 embodied the highest ideals of the U.S. Armed Forces, and those who
19 knew and loved him will forever carry him close in their hearts;
20 now, therefore, be it

21 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 79th Texas
22 Legislature hereby pay special tribute to the life of U.S. Marine
23 Lance Corporal Rhonald Dain Rairdan and extend deepest sympathy to
24 the members of his family: to his parents, David and Kimberly Wilmot

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1 Rairdan; to his brother, William Kyle Rairdan; to his grandparents,
2 William and Barbara Wilmot and Janice and Carl Zechner; and to the
3 other family members and many friends of this beloved young man;
4 and, be it 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 U.S. Marine
8 Lance Corporal Rhonald Dain Rairdan.

King of Zavala

Craddick	Geren	Menendez
Allen of Harris	Giddings	Merritt
Allen of Dallas	Gonzales	Miller
Alonzo	Gonzalez Toureilles	Moreno of Harris
Anchia	Goodman	Moreno of El Paso
Anderson	Goolsby	Morrison
Bailey	Griggs	Mowery
Baxter	Grusendorf	Naishtat
Berman	Guillen	Nixon
Blake	Haggerty	Noriega
Bohac	Hamilton	Oliveira
Bonnen	Hamric	Olivo
Branch	Hardcastle	Orr
Brown of Kaufman	Harper-Brown	Otto
Brown of Brazos	Hartnett	Paxton
Burnam	Hegar	Pena
Callegari	Herrero	Phillips
Campbell	Hilderbran	Pickett
Casteel	Hill	Pitts
Castro	Hochberg	Puente
Chavez	Hodge	Quintanilla
Chisum	Homer	Raymond
Coleman	Hope	Reyna
Cook of Navarro	Hopson	Riddle
Cook of Colorado	Howard	Ritter
Corte	Hughes	Rodriguez
Crabb	Hunter	Rose
Crownover	Hupp	Seaman
Davis of Harris	Isett	Smith of Tarrant
Davis of Dallas	Jackson	Smith of Harris
Dawson	Jones of Lubbock	Smithee
Delisi	Jones of Dallas	Solis
Denny	Keel	Solomons
Deshotel	Keffer of Dallas	Strama
Driver	Keffer of Eastland	Straus
Dukes	King of Parker	Swinford
Dunnam	King of Zavala	Talton
Dutton	Kolkhorst	Taylor
Edwards	Krusee	Thompson
Eiland	Kuempel	Truitt
Eissler	Laney	Turner
Elkins	Laubenberg	Uresti
Escobar	Leibowitz	Van Arsdale
Farabee	Luna	Veasey
Farrar	Madden	Villarreal
Flores	Martinez	Vo
Flynn	Martinez Fischer	West
Frost	McCall	Wong
Gallego	McClendon	Woolley
Gattis	McReynolds	Zedler

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Speaker of the House

I certify that H.R. No. 541 was unanimously adopted by a rising vote of the House on March 8, 2005.

Chief Clerk of the House