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RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, Words cannot express the heartache felt at the loss of U.S. Army Specialist Jeremy Olin Allmon of Cleburne, who died in Iraq on February 6, 2005, at the age of 22; and

WHEREAS, A member of the 3rd Battalion, 8th Cavalry Regiment,
1st Cavalry Division, Specialist Allmon was mortally wounded while
on patrol in Taji, Iraq, when an improvised explosive device was
detonated near his tank; and

8 WHEREAS, Specialist Allmon was a native Texan, born and 9 raised in Cleburne; known for his vitality and enthusiasm, he 10 enlisted in the Army in April 2002; and

11 WHEREAS, He earned a number of special military recognitions 12 for his courage and his steadfast devotion to duty, including the 13 Bronze Star, the Good Conduct Medal, and the Purple Heart; and

14 WHEREAS, Our state and our nation are fortunate to have young 15 men and women whose love for their country inspires them to military 16 service, yet the tragic death of this exemplary young man is a 17 sobering reminder of the cost of war; Americans owe a profound debt 18 to our nation's servicemen and servicewomen, whose valiant efforts 19 and enormous sacrifices are deserving of their fellow citizens' 20 deepest respect and gratitude; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 79th Texas Legislature hereby honor the life of Jeremy Olin Allmon and extend deepest sympathy to the members of his family: to his parents, Preston and Lisa Ray; to his father, David Sullivan; to his

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brothers, Preston Ray, Jr., David Sullivan, and Colton Sullivan; to his sister, Brentney Bane; to his maternal grandmother, Betty Love; to his paternal grandparents, Leonard and Nancy Sullivan and Preston and Faye Ray; to his nephew, Mason Lee Bane; and to his other relatives and many friends; and, be it further

6 RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be 7 prepared for his family and that when the Texas House of 8 Representatives adjourns this day, it do so in memory of U.S. Army 9 Specialist Jeremy Olin Allmon.