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RESOLUTION

1 WHEREAS, Lisa and Major Jason Barnett of Fort Bliss have 2 generously welcomed five orphaned children into their hearts and 3 their home, turning their loving brood into a happy family of nine 4 going on 10; and

5 WHEREAS, Major Barnett is the deputy commanding officer of 6 the 6th Brigade and lives on post with his wife and their two 7 biological children and five adopted children; the couple is also 8 in the process of adopting an eighth child, Gilyana Chimidova, an 9 eight-year-old girl from Ivanovo, Russia, whom they met during the 10 holidays when she visited the United States through the Hand in Hand 11 International Adoptions program; and

WHEREAS, The Barnetts adopted their first child, Manny, 14 years ago, and soon after, they became the parents of four siblings, adopted together, Danyelle, Josh, Rebekah, and Seth; Reena and Isabelle, the couple's biological children, enjoy the company of such a large, loving family and the abundance of affection they receive from their siblings; and

18 WHEREAS, Through their selfless actions, the Barnetts have 19 gained immeasurable joy, while providing each of their loved ones 20 with the kindness, affection, and attention they need to thrive; 21 now, therefore, be it

22 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 79th Texas 23 Legislature hereby congratulate Lisa and Major Jason Barnett on 24 their beautiful family and commend them for their inspirational

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1 humanitarianism; and, be it further

2 RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be 3 prepared for the Barnett family as an expression of high regard by 4 the Texas House of Representatives.

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Speaker of the House

I certify that H.R. No. 569 was adopted by the House on March 17, 2005, by a non-record vote.

Chief Clerk of the House