

R E S O L U T I O N

1 WHEREAS, San Antonio native Ray Rangel, a U.S. Air Force
2 staff sergeant and firefighter, died in the line of duty on February
3 13, 2005, on a rescue mission in Iraq, and he leaves behind a loving
4 family and many friends; and

5 WHEREAS, A 1994 graduate of South San Antonio High School,
6 the 29-year-old airman was stationed at Dyess Air Force Base near
7 Abilene and was deployed to Iraq with the 7th Civil Engineering
8 Squadron; he died while attempting to save the lives of several of
9 his fellow servicemen; and

10 WHEREAS, Sergeant Rangel enlisted in the air force shortly
11 after his high school graduation; he and Selena, his wife of 10
12 years, were blessed with three sons and a daughter; an avid football
13 fan, he played defensive back for the South San Antonio High School
14 Bobcats and coached his eldest son's youth football team in
15 Abilene, where he and his wife had purchased a home; and

16 WHEREAS, Words cannot lessen the grief felt by the family and
17 friends of this heroic Texan, but those who knew and loved him may
18 take comfort in the knowledge that he died bravely and was proud to
19 be serving his nation; now, therefore, be it

20 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 79th Texas
21 Legislature hereby pay tribute to the life of Staff Sergeant Ray
22 Rangel and extend deepest sympathy to his family: to his wife,
23 Selena Rangel; to his children, Justin, Jacob, Gabriel, and
24 Lilliana Rangel; to his parents, Federico and Cynthia Rangel; to

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1 his sisters, Rebecca Lugo, Melissa Esquivel, and Priscilla Rangel;
2 to his grandparents, Eduarda and Jose Carreon; and to the many other
3 relatives and friends of this courageous American; and, be it
4 further

5 RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be
6 prepared for the members of his family and that when the Texas House
7 of Representatives adjourns this day, it do so in memory of U.S. Air
8 Force Staff Sergeant Ray Rangel.

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Speaker of the House

I certify that H.R. No. 724 was unanimously adopted by a rising vote of the House on March 31, 2005.

Chief Clerk of the House