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R E S O L U T I O N

1 WHEREAS, The family and friends of U.S. Army Sergeant Barry
2 Kenneth Meza of Seguin suffered an immeasurable loss with the death
3 of this valiant soldier in Kuwait on December 19, 2004, at the age
4 of 23; and

5 WHEREAS, Assigned to the 180th Transportation Battalion at
6 Fort Hood, Sergeant Meza was on his third tour of the war-torn
7 region when he was killed; he was awarded a Bronze Star for bravery
8 in service to his country; and

9 WHEREAS, This loving son, brother, and father graduated from
10 Clear Creek High School, where he was a valued member of the Naval
11 ROTC; described by friends and relatives as kind, outgoing, and
12 fun-loving, Sergeant Meza cherished his family and enjoyed baseball
13 and hunting; 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; Sergeant Meza embodied the
18 highest ideals of the U.S. Armed Forces, and those who knew and
19 loved him will forever carry him close in their hearts; now,
20 therefore, be it

21 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 79th Texas
22 Legislature hereby pay special tribute to the life of Sergeant
23 Barry Kenneth Meza and extend profound sympathy to the members of
24 his family: to his sons, Richard Meza and Barry Meza, Jr.; to his

1 mother and stepfather, Tammy and Mark Brazle; to his sister,
2 Rachael Meza-Cantu, and her husband, Domingo; to his grandparents,
3 Vera and Julian Meza, Sr., and Helen and Roy Elliott; and to the
4 other relatives and many friends of this beloved young man; and, be
5 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 Sergeant Barry Kenneth Meza.