

R E S O L U T I O N

1 WHEREAS, United States Army Specialist Ryan L. Crunk of
2 Kerrville has deservedly received the Purple Heart for heroic
3 actions and injuries sustained in service to our country in Iraq;
4 and

5 WHEREAS, Established in 1782 during the Revolutionary War,
6 the Purple Heart is awarded in the name of the president of the
7 United States to members of the armed forces who are wounded in
8 conflict with an enemy force or while held by an enemy force as a
9 prisoner of war; and

10 WHEREAS, Specialist Crunk, a paratrooper with the 325th
11 Airborne Infantry Regiment, received the Purple Heart on March 17,
12 2005, at Brooke Army Medical Center for injuries suffered from a
13 grenade blast in Mosul, Iraq, on January 30; and

14 WHEREAS, He was also awarded the Army Commendation Medal for
15 meritorious service in support of ground combat operations against
16 anti-Iraqi forces while assigned as a rifleman, in addition to a new
17 unit coin with a white falcon emblem replacing the coin that was
18 lost on the day of his injury; and

19 WHEREAS, Through his unfaltering devotion to duty, honor, and
20 this country, Specialist Crunk embodies the highest ideals of the
21 armed forces and deserves the lasting respect and gratitude of all
22 Americans; now, therefore, be it

23 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 79th Texas
24 Legislature hereby honor U.S. Army Specialist Ryan L. Crunk on his

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1 receipt of the Purple Heart in recognition of his brave and
2 steadfast service in this nation's behalf; and, be it further

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

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Speaker of the House

I certify that H.R. No. 1072 was adopted by the House on April 22, 2005, by a non-record vote.

Chief Clerk of the House