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## RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, On this day, the Texas House of Representatives
pauses to honor those whose patriotism has called them to duty in
our nation's armed forces, and we also join together in solemn
remembrance of those Texans who have been killed while serving in
the Global War on Terrorism; and
WHEREAS, Texas servicemen and servicewomen have long
distinguished themselves as individuals of remarkable courage,

distinguished themselves as individuals of remarkable courage, dedication, and determination, and today we are proud to honor all the men and women from our state who have ever left behind their loved ones and the comfort and security of their homes to heed our country's call to arms; and

WHEREAS, During these difficult times, as U.S. forces continue to prosecute the Global War on Terrorism, we are reminded anew of the tenacious resolve of our military personnel and the immeasurable debt that we owe to those who have given their lives in this country's behalf; to date, the United States Department of Defense has confirmed the deaths of more than 1,500 American men and women who have served in this war, including at least 150 individuals with immediate ties to Texas; and

WHEREAS, Our state and nation are fortunate to have sons and daughters whose love of country leads them to military service, yet the deaths of these heroic Texans is a sobering reminder that armed conflict is not without great and terrible cost; their deaths represent a tremendous loss to their families and friends, the

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- 1 members of their units, and the State of Texas, and their sacrifice
- 2 in the service of our nation will not soon be forgotten; now,
- 3 therefore, be it
- 4 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 79th Texas
- 5 Legislature hereby pay special tribute to the memory of those
- 6 Texans who have died while serving in the Global War on Terrorism
- 7 and honor with gratitude their selfless and steadfast valor; and,
- 8 be it further
- 9 RESOLVED, That the Texas House of Representatives express its
- 10 heartfelt appreciation to all the brave men and women who have ever
- 11 served in the United States armed forces.