

R E S O L U T I O N

1 WHEREAS, The family and friends of U.S. Marine Lance Corporal
2 Mathew Davis Puckett of Mason suffered an immeasurable loss with
3 the death of this brave soldier on September 13, 2004, at the age of
4 19; and

5 WHEREAS, Despite the dangerous nature of his assignment in
6 Iraq, Lance Corporal Puckett thought first of his family; he took
7 great pride in his work and was committed to fulfilling his mission
8 to the very best of his ability; courageous and steadfast, he earned
9 the Bronze Medal for valor and the Purple Heart; and

10 WHEREAS, Our state and nation are fortunate to have young men
11 and women whose love of country leads them to military duty, and
12 time can never diminish the profound debt that Americans owe to
13 Lance Corporal Puckett for the service he undertook and the
14 sacrifice he rendered; and

15 WHEREAS, His energetic and optimistic personality endeared
16 him to his family and friends, and his bravery inspired a community;
17 through his unwavering dedication to duty and honor, Mathew Puckett
18 embodied the highest ideals of the armed services, and the memory of
19 his love and friendship will always be treasured by those who were
20 privileged to know him; now, therefore, be it

21 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 79th Texas
22 Legislature hereby pay special tribute to the life of U.S. Marine
23 Lance Corporal Mathew Puckett and extend deepest sympathy to the
24 members of his family: to his mother, Sue Ann Wood; to his father,

1 Michael Davis Puckett; to his grandfather, David Lee Puckett; to
2 his brother, Joshua Kane Puckett; to his sister, Rhiannon I. Wood;
3 to his aunts and uncles, Joanne and Charles Bradley, Nancy and Jim
4 Reams, Terri Oreallana, and Joe and Debbie Puckett; to his cousins,
5 Marine Sergeant James E. Fraser, Joshua and Charles Bradley,
6 Chrissy and Eric Herrera, and Clint Reams; and to his other
7 relatives and many friends; and, be it further

8 RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be
9 prepared for his family and that when the Texas House of
10 Representatives adjourns this day, it do so in memory of U.S. Marine
11 Lance Corporal Mathew Davis Puckett.

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H.R. No. 2036

Speaker of the House

I certify that H.R. No. 2036 was unanimously adopted by a rising vote of the House on May 27, 2005.

Chief Clerk of the House