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RESOLUTION

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

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

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

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Michael Davis Puckett; to his grandfather, David Lee Puckett; to his brother, Joshua Kane Puckett; to his sister, Rhiannon I. Wood; to his aunts and uncles, Joanne and Charles Bradley, Nancy and Jim Reams, Terri Oreallana, and Joe and Debbie Puckett; to his cousins, Marine Sergeant James E. Fraser, Joshua and Charles Bradley, Chrissy and Eric Herrera, and Clint Reams; and to his other 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.