

By: Herrero

H.R. No. 2141

R E S O L U T I O N

1 WHEREAS, Sergeant Ira Herrero of Corpus Christi has rendered
2 valiant service in the armed forces of this country; and

3 WHEREAS, Sergeant Herrero enlisted in the U.S. Air Force in
4 September 1990; trained as an electrical mechanical technician, he
5 assisted in the deactivation of the intercontinental ballistic
6 missile system at Ellsworth Air Force Base; and

7 WHEREAS, During his three years of active duty in the air
8 force, Sergeant Herrero received the Air Force Commendation Medal,
9 Air Force Outstanding Unit Award, Air Force Good Conduct Medal, and
10 National Defense Service Medal; after leaving active duty, he
11 served for six years in the inactive ready reserve; and

12 WHEREAS, Sergeant Herrero enlisted in the U.S. Army Reserve
13 in June 2000, and in December 2002 he was called to active duty; the
14 following February, he deployed to Camp Arifjan, Kuwait, where he
15 assisted in providing base security as a member of the quick
16 reaction force and supported the base's mission to provide supplies
17 to combat troops; and

18 WHEREAS, In April 2003, Sergeant Herrero volunteered for an
19 assignment in Iraq that involved taking custody of all equipment
20 other than ammunition that was captured south of Baghdad; during
21 this time he drove several supply missions, logging more than 2,400
22 miles; he also acted as both motor sergeant and assistant squad
23 leader for his detachment, which was stationed at LSA Adder on
24 Tallil Air Base; and

1 WHEREAS, Following his assignment in Iraq, Sergeant Herrero
2 returned to his temporary duty station in Kuwait; this time he
3 helped to provide force protection at the Kuwait Naval Base, where
4 his unit, the 887th Quartermaster Company, U.S. Army Reserve, was
5 in charge of base security; and

6 WHEREAS, Sergeant Herrero and his unit returned to their
7 permanent duty station in Sinton, Texas, after completing a year of
8 active duty in a combat zone; for his efforts in support of the war
9 in Iraq, Sergeant Herrero received two promotions in rank and the
10 Army Commendation Medal, a second National Defense Service Medal,
11 the Global War on Terrorism Expeditionary Medal, the Global War on
12 Terrorism Service Medal, the Armed Forces Reserve Medal with
13 Mobilization Device, and three certificates of achievement; and

14 WHEREAS, A devoted family man, Sergeant Herrero is married to
15 Aracelie Herrero, and they are the proud parents of three
16 daughters, Sabrina, age eight, Isabella, age seven, and Indira, age
17 five; and

18 WHEREAS, Through his unwavering dedication to duty, honor,
19 and this country, Sergeant Ira Herrero has exemplified the highest
20 ideals of the United States armed forces, and his selfless efforts
21 in this nation's behalf are deserving of his fellow citizens'
22 deepest respect and gratitude; now, therefore, be it

23 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 79th Texas
24 Legislature hereby honor Sergeant Ira Herrero for his steadfast
25 courage, commitment, and patriotism and extend to him profound
26 appreciation for his exemplary service to this country; and, be it
27 further

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1 RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be
2 prepared for Sergeant Herrero as an expression of high regard by the
3 Texas House of Representatives.