

**SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 1021**

**WHEREAS**, The Senate of the State of Texas is pleased to recognize Major General Joseph F. Weber for his outstanding service to his country in the United States Marine Corps; and

**WHEREAS**, General Weber graduated from Texas A&M University as a member of the Corps of Cadets and was commissioned a second lieutenant in 1972; rising rapidly through the ranks, he served as a major on the staff of the Commandant of Midshipmen at the United States Naval Academy from 1983 to 1985; and

**WHEREAS**, He reported to The University of Texas at Austin in 1986 and earned a master's degree from the Lyndon B. Johnson School of Public Affairs; by 1993, he had been promoted to the rank of colonel, and in May of 1996, he assumed the duties as the commanding officer of the 11th Marine Regiment, Camp Pendleton, California; and

**WHEREAS**, He was promoted to the rank of brigadier general in 1998; in 2002, General Weber became commanding general of the Third Marine Division in Okinawa, Japan; and

**WHEREAS**, He was authorized to assume the title of major general in 2002, and he reported to Iraq in 2004 and served as chief of staff for the Multi-National Force-Iraq for 14 months; he received the Bronze Star for his participation in Operation Iraqi Freedom; and

**WHEREAS**, General Weber has been nominated to the rank of lieutenant general by Secretary of Defense Donald Rumsfeld; upon approval by the United States Senate, he will assume command of the III Marine Expeditionary Force; and

**WHEREAS**, The general and his wife, Brenda, have two children; their son, Clint, is a captain in the United States Marine Corps stationed in Beaufort, South Carolina, where he flies F-18s; their daughter, Julie, is earning a master's degree in social work at The University of Texas at Austin; and

**WHEREAS**, In General Weber's earliest days in Abilene, Texas, his friends called him "Jumbo", and they still greatly admire him today for his extraordinary service; he is truly a distinguished Texas patriot whose service to our country has been invaluable; now, therefore, be it

**RESOLVED**, That the Senate of the State of Texas, 79th Legislature, hereby commend Major General Joseph F. Weber for his lifelong achievements and his many years of meritorious service to the nation; and, be it further

**RESOLVED**, That a copy of this Resolution be prepared for him as an expression of esteem from the Texas Senate.

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Dewhurst, President of the Senate

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I hereby certify that the above Resolution was adopted by the Senate on May 25, 2005.

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Secretary of the Senate

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Member, Texas Senate