

HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

1 WHEREAS, Residents of the Sabine Pass area are mourning the
2 loss of U.S. Army Specialist Ryan Berg, who was killed in Iraq on
3 January 9, 2007, at the age of 19, and they will join together to
4 honor this fallen soldier during Golden Triangle Days, February
5 25-27, 2007; and

6 WHEREAS, Born in nearby Port Arthur on July 24, 1987,
7 Specialist Berg entered the army on his 18th birthday, shortly
8 after graduating from Sabine Pass High School, and left for boot
9 camp later that same month; on September 29, 2006, he married the
10 former Katie Matthis in Sabine Pass, just five days before his
11 initial deployment to Iraq on October 4, 2006, as a member of the
12 1st Battalion, 12th Cavalry Regiment, 3rd Brigade, 1st Cavalry
13 Division out of Fort Hood; and

14 WHEREAS, Specialist Berg was the first son of Sabine Pass to
15 be killed while defending freedom in Iraq, and for his courage
16 during combat he was awarded the Purple Heart and the Bronze Star;
17 loved ones and friends remembered him fondly when he was laid to
18 rest on January 19, 2007, at Sabine Pass Cemetery, less than a month
19 after he celebrated Christmas with his wife, Katie, and his family;
20 and

21 WHEREAS, A talented athlete, this brave young man enjoyed
22 playing football, basketball, and golf; other pleasures included
23 spending time with his family and friends, hunting, and watching
24 his brother Brad play football; and

1 WHEREAS, Ryan Berg loved serving his country as a member of
2 the U.S. Army and was dedicated to doing his duty to the best of his
3 ability, and although his loss has left a void in the lives of those
4 who knew and loved him, his spirit will live on in their hearts;
5 now, therefore, be it

6 RESOLVED, That the 80th Legislature of the State of Texas
7 hereby pay tribute to the life of U.S. Army Specialist Ryan Berg and
8 extend deepest sympathy to the members of his family: to his wife,
9 Katie Berg; to his parents, Travis and Scottie Berg; to his
10 siblings, Brad and Marissa Berg; and to the other relatives and many
11 friends of this courageous soldier; and, be it further

12 RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be
13 prepared for his family and that when the Texas House of
14 Representatives and Senate adjourn this day, they do so in memory of
15 U.S. Army Specialist Ryan Berg.

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Craddick	Gattis	Miles
Allen	Geren	Miller
Alonzo	Giddings	Moreno
Anchia	Gonzales	Morrison
Anderson	Gonzalez Toureilles	Mowery
Aycock	Goolsby	Murphy
Bailey	Guillen	Naishtat
Berman	Haggerty	Noriega
Bohac	Hamilton	O'Day
Bolton	Hancock	Oliveira
Bonnen	Hardcastle	Olivo
Branch	Harless	Orr
Brown of Kaufman	Harper-Brown	Ortiz, Jr.
Brown of Brazos	Hartnett	Otto
Burnam	Heflin	Parker
Callegari	Hernandez	Patrick
Castro	Herrero	Paxton
Chavez	Hilderbran	Pena
Chisum	Hill	Phillips
Christian	Hochberg	Pickett
Cohen	Hodge	Pierson
Coleman	Homer	Pitts
Cook of Navarro	Hopson	Puente
Cook of Colorado	Howard of Fort Bend	Quintanilla
Corte	Howard of Travis	Raymond
Crabb	Hughes	Riddle
Creighton	Isett	Ritter
Crownover	Jackson	Rodriguez
Darby	Jones	Rose
Davis of Harris	Keffer	Smith of Tarrant
Davis of Dallas	King of Parker	Smith of Harris
Delisi	King of Taylor	Smithee
Deshotel	King of Zavala	Solomons
Driver	Kolkhorst	Strama
Dukes	Krusee	Straus
Dunnam	Kuempel	Swinford
Dutton	Latham	Talton
Eiland	Laubenberg	Taylor
Eissler	Leibowitz	Thompson
Elkins	Lucio III	Truitt
England	Macias	Turner
Escobar	Madden	Van Arsdale
Farabee	Mallory Caraway	Vaught
Farias	Martinez	Veasey
Farrar	Martinez Fischer	Villarreal
Flores	McCall	Vo
Flynn	McClendon	West
Frost	McReynolds	Woolley
Gallego	Menendez	Zedler
Garcia	Merritt	Zerwas

President of the Senate

Speaker of the House

I certify that H.C.R. No. 78 was unanimously adopted by a rising vote of the House on February 26, 2007.

Chief Clerk of the House

I certify that H.C.R. No. 78 was unanimously adopted by a rising vote of the Senate on February 27, 2007.

Secretary of the Senate

APPROVED: _____

Date

Governor