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HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

1 WHEREAS, The City of Killeen was named the Association of 2 Defense Communities 2006 Active Base Community of the Year in 3 recognition of two innovative projects that provide economic 4 benefits to Killeen, Fort Hood, and the region; and

5 WHEREAS, Developed in collaboration with the City of Killeen, 6 Fort Hood, the Greater Killeen Chamber of Commerce, and the Central Texas Workforce Center, the Dell work-from-home program employs 7 military spouses located anywhere in the U.S. as Dell call center 8 9 representatives, allowing them to avoid breaks in employment due to military transfers; the six-month pilot program based at Fort Hood 10 11 proved so effective that Dell has since expanded it to include more 12 than 20 employees, and further plans for growth are in the works; 13 and

WHEREAS, The Killeen-Fort Hood Regional Airport is another 14 example of the city and Fort Hood successfully partnering to serve 15 base and other area residents; funded in part by the Federal 16 Aviation Administration, the Texas Department of Transportation, 17 Bell County, and the City of Killeen, the airport has made travel 18 more convenient for Fort Hood soldiers and military contractors, as 19 well as Central Texas business and leisure travelers, without 20 21 disrupting military operations; more than 300,000 passengers have passed through the airport since it began service in 2004; and 22

23 WHEREAS, For more than 30 years, the Association of Defense 24 Communities has worked to unite the interests of defense

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communities, state government, the private sector, and the military on a range of significant issues; representing some 1,200 members, it is the nation's leading organization of communities with a military presence; and

5 WHEREAS, The Dell work-from-home program and the 6 Killeen-Fort Hood Regional Airport exemplify the potential for 7 military, public, and private groups to work together for the benefit of their communities, state, and nation, and this award 8 justly acknowledges the City of 9 Killeen's remarkable accomplishments; now, therefore, be it 10

11 RESOLVED, That the 80th Legislature of the State of Texas 12 hereby congratulate the City of Killeen on being named the 13 Association of Defense Communities 2006 Active Base Community of 14 the Year and commend all those involved for their notable efforts to 15 support the success of this Central Texas community; and, be it 16 further

17 RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be 18 prepared for the City of Killeen as an expression of high regard by 19 the Texas House of Representatives and Senate.

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President of the Senate

Speaker of the House

I certify that H.C.R. No. 208 was adopted by the House on May 11, 2007, by a non-record vote.

Chief Clerk of the House

I certify that H.C.R. No. 208 was adopted by the Senate on May 22, 2007, by a viva-voce vote.

Secretary of the Senate

APPROVED: _____

Date

Governor