

HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

1 WHEREAS, On this day, the Texas Legislature pauses to honor
2 those whose patriotism has called them to duty in our nation's armed
3 forces, and we also join together in solemn remembrance of those
4 Texans who have been killed while serving in the Global War on
5 Terrorism; and

6 WHEREAS, Texas servicemen and servicewomen have long
7 distinguished themselves as individuals of remarkable courage,
8 dedication, and determination, and today we are proud to honor all
9 the men and women from our state who have ever left behind their
10 loved ones and the comfort and security of their homes to heed our
11 country's call to arms; and

12 WHEREAS, During these difficult times, as U.S. forces
13 continue to prosecute the Global War on Terrorism, we are reminded
14 anew of the tenacious resolve of our military personnel and the
15 immeasurable debt that we owe to those who have given their lives in
16 this country's behalf; to date, the United States Department of
17 Defense has confirmed the deaths of more than 3,300 American men and
18 women who have served in this war, including at least 300
19 individuals with immediate ties to Texas; and

20 WHEREAS, Our state and nation are fortunate to have sons and
21 daughters whose love of country leads them to military service, yet
22 the deaths of these heroic Texans is a sobering reminder that armed
23 conflict is not without great and terrible cost; their deaths
24 represent a tremendous loss to their families and friends, the

1 members of their units, and the State of Texas, and their sacrifice
2 in the service of our nation will not soon be forgotten; now,
3 therefore, be it

4 RESOLVED, That the 80th Legislature of the State of Texas
5 hereby pay special tribute to the memory of those Texans who have
6 died while serving in the Global War on Terrorism and honor with
7 gratitude their selfless and steadfast valor; and, be it further

8 RESOLVED, That the Texas Legislature express its heartfelt
9 appreciation to all the brave men and women who have ever served in
10 the United States armed forces.

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President of the Senate

Speaker of the House

I certify that H.C.R. No. 257 was unanimously adopted by a rising vote of the House on May 23, 2007.

Chief Clerk of the House

I certify that H.C.R. No. 257 was adopted by the Senate on May 27, 2007, by a viva-voce vote.

Secretary of the Senate

APPROVED: _____

Date

Governor