

R E S O L U T I O N

1 WHEREAS, The friends and family of U.S. Marine Sergeant Gary
2 S. Johnston of Windthorst suffered an immeasurable loss with the
3 death of this valiant young man on January 23, 2007, at the age of
4 21; and

5 WHEREAS, Sergeant Johnston was killed while bravely serving
6 his country during combat operations in Al Anbar Province, Iraq, as
7 a radio operator with the 3rd Reconnaissance Battalion, 3rd Marine
8 Division, III Marine Expeditionary Force; and

9 WHEREAS, A 2003 graduate of Windthorst High School, Gary
10 Johnston was known for his friendly, laid-back attitude and for his
11 commitment to meeting the demanding goals he set for himself; he
12 excelled at sports and was named to the all-district football team
13 his senior year; following graduation, he joined the Marine Corps
14 and fulfilled a long-held dream to pursue a career in the military;
15 and

16 WHEREAS, He performed his duties with great distinction
17 during his tenure in the Marine Corps, earning promotion to the rank
18 of sergeant as well as the Navy and Marine Corps Achievement Medal,
19 Global War on Terrorism Service Medal, and a National Defense
20 Service Medal, to name but a few; despite the dangerous nature of
21 his mission, he remained devoted to serving his country and was
22 intensely proud of the role he was playing in the Global War on
23 Terrorism; and

24 WHEREAS, Exemplifying the highest ideals of the U.S. armed

1 forces, Gary Johnston inspired others with his fortitude, tenacity,
2 and courage; although his passing leaves a void in the lives of
3 those who were fortunate enough to know him, they will forever carry
4 memories of this heroic young Texan close in their hearts; now,
5 therefore, be it

6 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 80th Texas
7 Legislature hereby pay tribute to the life of Gary S. Johnston and
8 extend sincere sympathy to the members of his family and to his
9 other loved ones; and, be it further

10 RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be
11 prepared for his family and that when the Texas House of
12 Representatives adjourns this day, it do so in memory of Sergeant
13 Gary Johnston.

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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

H.R. No. 206

Speaker of the House

I certify that H.R. No. 206 was unanimously adopted by a rising vote of the House on February 26, 2007.

Chief Clerk of the House