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H.R. No. 518

R E S O L U T I O N

1 WHEREAS, The family and friends of U.S. Army Private Clarence  
2 Spencer of Fort Worth have suffered an immeasurable loss with his  
3 death on February 4, 2007, at the age of 24; and

4 WHEREAS, Killed in the performance of his duties in Iraq,  
5 Private Spencer was a member of the 1st Cavalry Division's 3rd  
6 Brigade Combat Team out of Fort Hood; and

7 WHEREAS, A native Texan, he was born November 26, 1982, in  
8 Fort Worth and attended Dunbar High School, where he was active in  
9 the JROTC program and an all-district strong safety on the football  
10 team; and

11 WHEREAS, Private Spencer joined the U.S. Marine Corps after  
12 his graduation, serving four years before enlisting in the Army so  
13 that he could be closer to his family; during his military tenure,  
14 he completed three tours of duty in Iraq and earned the Purple Heart  
15 for his courageous service; and

16 WHEREAS, Private Spencer was serving his fourth tour at the  
17 time of his death, and despite the dangerous nature of his mission,  
18 he remained devoted to serving his country; and

19 WHEREAS, Our state and nation are fortunate to have men and  
20 women whose love for their country inspires them to take up military  
21 service, yet the tragic death of this fine young man is a sobering  
22 reminder of the cost of war; Private Spencer embodied the highest  
23 ideals of the U.S. armed forces, and those who knew and loved him  
24 will forever carry him close in their hearts; now, therefore, be it

1           RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 80th Texas  
2 Legislature hereby pay special tribute to the life of U.S. Army  
3 Private Clarence Spencer and extend deepest sympathy to his family:  
4 to his wife, Shanta Spencer; to his daughter, Chania Spencer; to his  
5 mother, Juanita Cole; to his sister, Shaneika Bell; and to his other  
6 relatives and friends; and, be it further

7           RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be  
8 prepared for his family and that when the Texas House of  
9 Representatives adjourns this day, it do so in memory of U.S. Army  
10 Private Clarence Spencer.