

R E S O L U T I O N

1 WHEREAS, Words cannot adequately express the heartache felt
2 at the loss of United States Army Staff Sergeant Edward Reynolds,
3 who was killed in Iraq on September 26, 2006; and

4 WHEREAS, A native of Port Arthur, Staff Sergeant "Jay"
5 Reynolds joined the military soon after his graduation from Thomas
6 Jefferson High School in 1997; he was on his second tour of duty in
7 Iraq at the time of his death, and despite the dangerous nature of
8 his mission, he remained dedicated to serving his country; and

9 WHEREAS, Staff Sergeant Reynolds enjoyed the support of a
10 caring family throughout his life, and he was himself the devoted
11 father of three children; and

12 WHEREAS, Our state and nation are fortunate to have men and
13 women whose love for their country inspires them to military
14 service, yet the tragic death of this brave soldier is a sobering
15 reminder of the cost of war; and

16 WHEREAS, Exemplifying the highest ideals of the U.S. Armed
17 Forces, Jay Reynolds inspired others with his fortitude, tenacity,
18 and courage; although his passing leaves a void in the lives of
19 those who were fortunate to know him, they will forever carry
20 memories of this heroic young Texan close in their hearts; now,
21 therefore, be it

22 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 80th Texas
23 Legislature hereby pay tribute to the life of Army Staff Sergeant
24 Edward Reynolds and extend deepest sympathy to his loved ones; and,

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1 be it further

2 RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be
3 prepared for his family and that when the Texas House of
4 Representatives adjourns this day, it do so in memory of United
5 States Army Staff Sergeant Edward Reynolds.

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Speaker of the House

I certify that H.R. No. 591 was unanimously adopted by a rising vote of the House on February 27, 2007.

Chief Clerk of the House