RESOLUTION

- 1 WHEREAS, Words cannot adequately express the sorrow felt at
- 2 the loss of U.S. Navy Petty Officer First Class Gilbert "Beto"
- 3 Minjares, Jr., of El Paso, who died on February 7, 2007, at the age
- 4 of 31, while serving his country in Iraq; and
- 5 WHEREAS, A member of Marine Aircraft Group 14, 2nd Marine
- 6 Aircraft Wing, based at Cherry Point, North Carolina, Petty Officer
- 7 Minjares was killed in a helicopter crash in Al Anbar Province;
- 8 deployed to Iraq just seven days earlier, he served as a hospital
- 9 corpsman; and
- WHEREAS, Born on March 19, 1975, Beto Minjares graduated in
- 11 1994 from Hanks High School, where he played fullback and
- 12 quarterback on the football team; he went on to pursue a career as a
- 13 medic in the navy and completed training at the Basic Hospital Corps
- 14 School; and
- WHEREAS, Petty Officer Minjares was a devoted husband,
- 16 father, son, and brother who was known for his hearty smile and love
- of dancing; proud to belong to the U.S. armed forces, he eagerly
- 18 volunteered his service for Operation Iraqi Freedom and wanted his
- 19 children to know that he served so that they could grow up without
- 20 fear in a free country; and
- 21 WHEREAS, Our state and nation are fortunate to have young men
- 22 and women whose love of country leads them to military duty, and
- 23 time can never diminish the profound debt that Americans owe to
- 24 Gilbert Minjares for the service he undertook and the sacrifice he

- 1 rendered; and
- WHEREAS, The thoughts and prayers of many go out to the family
- 3 of this beloved man; he was a soldier of honor and valor, and those
- 4 who were fortunate to share in the blessing of his life will forever
- 5 carry him close in their hearts; now, therefore, be it
- 6 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 80th Texas
- 7 Legislature hereby pay tribute to the life of U.S. Navy Petty
- 8 Officer First Class Gilbert "Beto" Minjares, Jr., and extend
- 9 sincere sympathy to the members of his family: to his wife, Jeannie
- 10 Minjares; to his son, Gilbert Minjares III; to his daughter,
- 11 Miranda Addison Minjares; to his parents, Rosa and Gilbert
- 12 Minjares, Sr.; to his sisters, Zonia and Aurora Minjares and Laura
- 13 Gomez; to his brother, Joe Minjares; to his grandmother, Maria G.
- 14 Cano; and to his other relatives and many friends; and, be it
- 15 further
- RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be
- 17 prepared for his family and that when the Texas House of
- 18 Representatives adjourns this day, it do so in memory of U.S. Navy
- 19 Petty Officer First Class Gilbert "Beto" Minjares, Jr.

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Speaker of the House

I certify that H.R. No. 1461 was unanimously adopted by a rising vote of the House on April 27, 2007.

Chief Clerk of the House