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RESOLUTION

1 WHEREAS, The family and friends of U.S. Army Private First 2 Class Cory C. Kosters of The Woodlands suffered an immeasurable 3 loss with the death of this valiant soldier on March 5, 2007, at the 4 age of 19; and

5 WHEREAS, Assigned to the 2nd Battalion, 505th Parachute 6 Infantry Regiment, 3rd Brigade Combat Team, 82nd Airborne Division, 7 Private Kosters was killed while serving his country during combat 8 operations in Iraq; and

9 WHEREAS, He joined the military three months after his 2005 10 graduation from The Woodlands High School; in his youth, he enjoyed 11 participation in the Cub Scouts and Boy Scouts and was an active 12 member of Crossroads Baptist Church; and

WHEREAS, Private Kosters loved serving his country and thrived on the adventure and intensity of his work, while remaining aware of its inherent dangers; he was known to volunteer for every assignment, and although he had been given an opportunity to return home for a visit with his family, he selflessly opted instead to let a fellow soldier take leave for the birth of his first child; and

WHEREAS, Exemplifying the highest ideals of the U.S. armed forces, Cory Kosters inspired others with his fortitude, tenacity, and courage; although his death leaves a void in the lives of his loved ones, they will forever carry memories of this heroic young Texan close in their hearts; now, therefore, be it

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RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 80th Texas

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Legislature hereby pay tribute to the life of Private Cory C. Kosters and extend deepest sympathy to his parents, Marlon and Senta Kosters, to his brother, Kevin, and to all those who mourn his passing; and, be it further

5 RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be 6 prepared for his family and that when the Texas House of 7 Representatives adjourns this day, it do so in memory of Private 8 First Class Cory C. Kosters.