

R E S O L U T I O N

1 WHEREAS, U.S. Army Lieutenant Travis Atwood has been awarded
2 a Bronze Star Medal with Valor Device, the nation's fourth highest
3 combat award, for his exceptional heroism as a platoon leader
4 during Operation Iraqi Freedom; and

5 WHEREAS, Since August 2006, Lieutenant Atwood has served with
6 the 1st Battalion, 26th Infantry Regiment, 2nd Brigade, 1st
7 Infantry Division, which conducts operations in conjunction with
8 the Iraqi Army, the Iraqi Police, and the local populace in order to
9 reduce sectarian violence and promote peaceful governance in the
10 Adhamiyah sector of northeast Baghdad; in September of that year,
11 he successfully maintained command and control of an element the
12 size of three U.S. Army platoons while under attack; he called in
13 close air support fires, while coordinating with the Tactical
14 Operations Center and providing battlefield situation reports and
15 intelligence; and

16 WHEREAS, A 2005 graduate of the United States Military
17 Academy at West Point, Travis Atwood is the husband of Terran Atwood
18 of Abilene and the son of Sam and Shirley Atwood of Goliad; and

19 WHEREAS, Lieutenant Atwood's outstanding leadership has
20 greatly contributed to the Global War on Terrorism, and his sure and
21 decisive actions during combat operations reflect admirably on the
22 Multinational Division--Baghdad and the United States Army; now,
23 therefore, be it

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

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1 Legislature hereby commend Lieutenant Travis Atwood for his
2 exemplary service as a member of the United States Army and
3 congratulate him on his receipt of the Bronze Star Medal with Valor
4 Device; and, be it further

5 RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be
6 prepared for Lieutenant Atwood as an expression of high regard by
7 the Texas House of Representatives.

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Speaker of the House

I certify that H.R. No. 2183 was adopted by the House on May 25, 2007, by a non-record vote.

Chief Clerk of the House