RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, Throughout the history of the Texas National Guard,

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2 its members have served the Lone Star State with distinction and 3 valor, and the important contributions of the 71st Brigade Combat Team and its subordinate battalions are truly worthy of special 4 5 recognition; and 6 WHEREAS, With remarkable perseverance, 7 self-sacrifice, and military competence, the soldiers of this esteemed Texas Brigade have supported the Global War on Terrorism 8 and Homeland Defense throughout the state; dutifully carrying out 9 their mission in North Texas since July 18, 1917, as the 71st 10 11 Brigade 36th Infantry Division, the 72nd Separate Infantry Brigade 12 (Mechanized), 3rd Brigade 49th Armored Division, and again as the 13 71st Brigade 36th Infantry Division, the soldiers have continuously 14 supported the needs of the State of Texas, its governor and communities, and the wartime mission of the U.S. Army and the 15 16 nation's president; and WHEREAS, The Texas military forces are undergoing a historic 17 18 transformation to capably meet the needs of the great State of Texas, her citizens, and the United States Army and its future 19 missions; as new Texas Guard units are created, the distinguished 20 21 National Guard soldiers of the 71st Brigade will rise to meet the

their esteemed colors and guidons in Dallas on July 15, 2007,

WHEREAS, The 71st Brigade 36th Infantry Division will case

challenge of their changing duties; and

- 1 concluding their mission and permanently recording their honorable
- 2 legacy in the annals of Texas and U.S. Army history; now, therefore,
- 3 be it
- 4 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 80th Texas
- 5 Legislature hereby commend all of the men and women who have served
- 6 with the 71st Brigade 36th Infantry Division for defending the
- 7 freedoms and rights of the citizens of the United States and extend
- 8 to these soldiers, their commander, Colonel George A. Brinegar, and
- 9 their Command Sergeant Major Joe H. Ray deep gratitude for their
- 10 service and sincere best wishes for the future; and, be it further
- 11 RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be
- 12 prepared for the adjutant general of the State of Texas military
- 13 forces, the commander of the 36th Infantry Division, and the
- 14 headquarters of the 71st Brigade as an expression of high regard by
- 15 the Texas House of Representatives.

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Speaker of the House

I certify that H.R. No. 2230 was adopted by the House on May 25, 2007, by a non-record vote.

Chief Clerk of the House