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RESOLUTION

1 WHEREAS, Words cannot adequately express the heartache felt 2 at the loss of U.S. Marine Corporal John M. Longoria of Nixon, who 3 died while bravely serving his country on November 14, 2005, at the 4 age of 21; and

5 WHEREAS, Assigned to Company F, 2nd Battalion, 1st Marine 6 Regiment, 13th Marine Expeditionary Unit, 1st Marine Expeditionary 7 Force, Corporal Longoria was mortally wounded as a result of 8 small-arms fire during combat operations against enemy forces in 9 New Ubaydi, Iraq; and

10 WHEREAS, Americans owe a profound debt to our nation's 11 servicemen and servicewomen, whose courageous efforts and enormous 12 sacrifices are deserving of their fellow citizens' deepest respect 13 and gratitude; and

14 WHEREAS, Exemplifying the highest ideals of the U.S. armed 15 forces, John M. Longoria inspired others with his fortitude, 16 tenacity, and courage; although his death leaves a void in the lives 17 of his loved ones, they will forever carry memories of this heroic 18 Texan close in their hearts; now, therefore, be it

19 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 80th Texas 20 Legislature hereby pay tribute to the life of Corporal John M. 21 Longoria and extend deepest sympathy to all those who mourn his 22 passing; and, be it further

23 RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be 24 prepared for his family and that when the Texas House of

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- 1 Representatives adjourns this day, it do so in memory of U.S. Marine
- 2 Corporal John M. Longoria.