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## RESOLUTION

- 1 WHEREAS, Words cannot adequately express the heartache felt
- 2 at the loss of U.S. Marine Major Ramon J. Mendoza, Jr., of Nixon,
- 3 who died while bravely serving his country on November 14, 2005, at
- 4 the age of 37; and
- 5 WHEREAS, Assigned to Company E, 2nd Battalion, 1st Marine
- 6 Regiment, 13th Marine Expeditionary Unit, 1st Marine Expeditionary
- 7 Force, Major Mendoza was one of two marines killed when a bomb
- 8 detonated during combat operations against enemy forces in New
- 9 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
- WHEREAS, Exemplifying the highest ideals of the U.S. armed
- 15 forces, Ramon J. Mendoza, Jr., inspired others with his fortitude,
- 16 tenacity, and courage; although his death leaves a void in the lives
- 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 Major Ramon J.
- 21 Mendoza, Jr., 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.
- 2 Marine Major Ramon J. Mendoza, Jr.