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R E S O L U T I O N

1 WHEREAS, Words cannot adequately express the heartache felt
2 at the loss of U.S. Army Specialist Andrew Velez of Lubbock, who
3 died while bravely serving his country on July 25, 2006, at the age
4 of 22; and

5 WHEREAS, Assigned to the Corps Support Battalion, Theater
6 Support Command, Specialist Velez was serving in Sharona,
7 Afghanistan, when he died; and

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

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

17 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 80th Texas
18 Legislature hereby pay tribute to the life of Specialist Andrew
19 Velez and extend deepest sympathy to all those who mourn his
20 passing; and, be it further

21 RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be
22 prepared for his family and that when the Texas House of
23 Representatives adjourns this day, it do so in memory of U.S.
24 Army Specialist Andrew Velez.