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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 William J. Byler of Ballinger,  
3 who died while bravely serving his country on October 31, 2005, at  
4 the age of 23; and

5           WHEREAS, Assigned to the 2nd Battalion, 502nd Infantry  
6 Regiment, 2nd Brigade Combat Team, 101st Airborne Division,  
7 Specialist Byler was one of four soldiers killed when a roadside  
8 bomb detonated near their Humvee during patrol operations in  
9 Mahmudiya, 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, William J. Byler 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 Specialist William J.  
21 Byler 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 Army Specialist William J. Byler.