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RESOLUTION

- 1 WHEREAS, Words cannot adequately express the heartache felt
- 2 at the loss of U.S. Army Specialist Robert J. Volker of Big Spring,
- 3 who died while bravely serving his country on December 20, 2006, at
- 4 the age of 21; and
- 5 WHEREAS, Assigned to the 1st Battalion, 5th Cavalry Regiment,
- 6 2nd Brigade, 1st Cavalry Division, Specialist Volker was killed
- 7 when a roadside bomb exploded near his Humvee in Baghdad, Iraq; 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, Robert J. Volker inspired others with his fortitude,
- 14 tenacity, and courage; although his death leaves a void in the lives
- of his loved ones, they will forever carry memories of this heroic
- 16 Texan 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 Robert J.
- 19 Volker 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 Robert J. Volker.