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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. Navy Petty Officer First Class Howard E. Babcock
3 IV of Houston, who died while bravely serving his country on October
4 13, 2005, at the age of 33; and

5 WHEREAS, Assigned to the Naval Computer and
6 Telecommunications Station, Petty Officer First Class Babcock was
7 killed when a roadside bomb detonated near his Humvee during combat
8 operations in Ad Dujayl, Iraq; and

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

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

18 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 80th Texas
19 Legislature hereby pay tribute to the life of Petty Officer First
20 Class Howard E. Babcock IV and extend deepest sympathy to all those
21 who mourn his passing; and, be it further

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

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1 Petty Officer First Class Howard E. Babcock IV.