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R E S O L U T I O N

1 WHEREAS, The Patriot Guard Riders are committed to honoring
2 members of the nation's armed forces who have given their lives in
3 this country's behalf; and

4 WHEREAS, At the invitation of families who have lost loved
5 ones, the PGR attends funerals and memorial services to show its
6 respect for the fallen, their families, and their communities; PGR
7 members also shield the families and their friends from
8 interruptions created by any protestor or group of protestors, an
9 objective the PGR accomplishes through nonconfrontational and
10 nonviolent means; and

11 WHEREAS, The PGR was formed in 2005, after several different
12 groups of riders independently took the initiative to assist
13 families of individuals who had died in Afghanistan or Iraq; today,
14 the PGR includes veterans and nonveterans, riders and nonriders,
15 and members representing a spectrum of political opinion; uniting
16 all of these men and women is the common desire to pay tribute to our
17 country's fallen heroes; and

18 WHEREAS, The Patriot Guard Riders are performing a service of
19 immeasurable value to families and communities who have lost
20 treasured members of the armed forces, and Americans everywhere can
21 find inspiration in the simple decency and goodness of this
22 admirable organization; now, therefore, be it

23 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 80th Texas
24 Legislature hereby commend the Patriot Guard Riders for the

1 heartfelt honor they are rendering to those who have fallen in
2 military service to this nation and for the significant support
3 they are providing to bereaved families and communities; and, be it
4 further

5 RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be
6 prepared for the Patriot Guard Riders as an expression of high
7 regard by the Texas House of Representatives.