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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. Air Force Major Troy L. Gilbert of Texas, who
3 died while bravely serving his country on November 27, 2006, at the
4 age of 34; and

5 WHEREAS, Assigned to the 309th Fighter Squadron,
6 Major Gilbert was killed when his F-16C Falcon crashed while
7 supporting combat operations north of 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, Troy L. Gilbert inspired others with his fortitude,
14 tenacity, and courage; although his death leaves a void in the lives
15 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 Major Troy L. Gilbert
19 and extend deepest sympathy to all those who mourn his passing; and,
20 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. Air
24 Force Major Troy L. Gilbert.