By: Seliger

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CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

2 WHEREAS, The Legislature of the State of Texas honors and 3 commemorates the life of Corporal Ray Michael Bevel, who died April 4 21, 2007, at the age of 22 while serving his country in Iraq; and

5 WHEREAS, Corporal Bevel was a 2003 graduate of Andrews High 6 School in Andrews, Texas; he enjoyed outdoor activities, such as 7 playing golf, and he was a member of the First Baptist Church in 8 Andrews; and

9 WHEREAS, In the spirit of the American patriot, Corporal 10 Bevel confronted the dangers, privations, and discomforts of war 11 with steadfast resolve, making us as a nation truly proud; he was a 12 member of Charlie Company of the 10th Mountain Division, based at 13 Fort Drum; and

14 WHEREAS, Corporal Bevel was committed to our nation's 15 security, and he intended to make the United States Army his career; 16 he was killed in Baghdad by an improvised explosive device while on 17 patrol; and

18 WHEREAS, Corporal Bevel was fulfilling his duties in Iraq 19 with fortitude and unwavering determination; he was a brave man and 20 a true American hero who took pride in his service on behalf of his 21 country; and

22 WHEREAS, He was a man of courage, strength, and quiet 23 determination who was known for his ready sense of humor, his deep 24 faith, and his compassion and ability to comfort others; and

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1 WHEREAS, Ray was devoted to his family, and he will long be 2 remembered with affection and admiration for his generous spirit 3 and his many accomplishments; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That the 80th Legislature of the State of Texas 4 5 hereby extend sincere condolences to the bereaved family of Ray Michael Bevel: his wife, Brooke Bevel; his mother, Christy Hobbs; 6 his father and stepmother, Jerry and Lonna Bevel; his sister, Keisa 7 Sparks; his brothers and sister-in-law, Jerry Don Bevel and Rusty 8 9 and Brittany Smith; his grandmothers, Ruth Willis and Betty Hobbs; 10 and his stepgrandparents, Jerry and Susan Hallmark; and, be it further 11

RESOLVED, That a copy of this resolution be prepared for the members of his family as an expression of deepest sympathy from the Texas Legislature, and that when the Texas Senate and House of Representatives adjourn this day, they do so in memory of Ray Michael Bevel.

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