SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 324

In Memory of Nathaniel Aaron Aguirre

WHEREAS, The Senate of the State of Texas honors and commemorates the life of Specialist Nathaniel Aaron Aguirre, who made the ultimate sacrifice for his country on October 22, 2006, while serving in Iraq; and

WHEREAS, Nathaniel Aguirre was born December 11, 1984; a 2003 graduate of Creekview High School in Carrollton, Nathaniel understood the degree of responsibility that comes with freedom; he was wise beyond his years and knew that the cost of freedom is high and that our rights and responsibilities as American citizens are ever to be cherished; and

WHEREAS, At 11 years of age, Nathaniel joined the Boy Scouts of America, an organization through which he received valuable guidance, developed his own leadership potential, and gained a taste for adventure, all of which contributed to building a solid foundation for the rest of his life; and

WHEREAS, At the age of 17, Nathan enlisted in the United States Army Reserve and attended basic combat training at Fort Knox, Kentucky; after graduating from high school, he trained with a medical battalion, attended Airborne School, and served in Korea before being assigned to Fort Hood; and

WHEREAS, Specialist Aguirre was a member of the 1st Battalion, 22nd Infantry Regiment, 2nd Brigade Combat Team, 4th Infantry Division, based at Fort Hood; a highly trained and dedicated soldier, he demonstrated unwavering resolve in the performance of his duties, and he was posthumously awarded the Bronze Star, the Purple Heart, and the Army Good Conduct Medal; and

WHEREAS, A man of courage, strength, and devotion, Nathaniel gave generously to others, and his kindness, resolute spirit, and bravery will not be forgotten by those who knew him; and

WHEREAS, Nathaniel was a devoted son and brother whose loyalty, compassion for others, and love of life were truly inspiring; he will long be remembered with affection and admiration by all who were privileged to share in his life; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That the Senate of the State of Texas, 80th Legislature, hereby extend sincere condolences to the bereaved family of Nathaniel Aaron Aguirre: his parents, Louis and Mary Aguirre, and his sister, Melissa Aguirre; and, be it further

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RESOLVED, That a copy of this Resolution be prepared for the members of his family as an expression of deepest sympathy from the Texas Senate, and that when the Senate adjourns this day, it do so in memory of Nathaniel Aguirre.

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President of the Senate

I hereby certify that the above Resolution was adopted by the Senate on February 27, 2007, by a rising vote.

Secretary of the Senate

Member, Texas Senate