

SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 420

In Memory
of
Omar D. Flores

WHEREAS, Words cannot adequately express the sorrow felt at the death of United States Army Staff Sergeant Omar D. Flores of Mission, who lost his life while serving his country in Iraq on July 8, 2006, at the age of 27; and

WHEREAS, A 10-year army veteran, Staff Sergeant Flores was assigned to the 54th Engineer Battalion, 130th Engineer Brigade; he followed in the footsteps of his older brother, joining the military after his graduation from La Joya High School; and

WHEREAS, Staff Sergeant Flores was studying at the University of Maryland before his deployment, and he hoped to one day become a Junior Reserve Officers' Training Corps instructor; he enjoyed competing, and his athletic skills led him to a number of volleyball championships, while his dedication to his profession twice earned him the title of Non-Commissioned Officer of the Year; and

WHEREAS, Our state and nation are fortunate to have men and women whose love for their country inspires them to take up military service, yet the tragic death of this exemplary soldier is a sobering reminder of the cost of war; Staff Sergeant Flores embodied the highest ideals of the United States armed forces, and those who knew and loved him will forever carry him close in their hearts; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That the Senate of the State of Texas,
80th Legislature, hereby pay tribute to the life of United States
Army Staff Sergeant Omar D. Flores and extend deepest sympathy to
all those who mourn his passing; and, be it further

RESOLVED, That an official copy of this Resolution be
prepared for his family and that when the Texas Senate adjourns
this day, it do so in memory of United States Army Staff Sergeant
Omar D. Flores.

Hinojosa

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Williams
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Dewhurst, President of the Senate

President of the Senate

I hereby certify that the
above Resolution was adopted by
the Senate on March 6, 2007, by a
rising vote.

Secretary of the Senate

Member, Texas Senate