

SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 439

WHEREAS, The Senate of the State of Texas is pleased to recognize United States Army Corporal Matt Murray, who recently received a Purple Heart for his courageous service in Iraq on behalf of his country; and

WHEREAS, Matt Murray is a 2002 Plano High School graduate; he joined the Army in February of 2004; an airborne infantryman, he was deployed to Iraq in August of 2006 from the 1st Battalion, 501st Parachute Infantry Regiment, Charlie Company, Fort Richardson, Alaska; and

WHEREAS, He was assigned to Camp Taji near Baghdad with the Air Force's 732nd Expeditionary Civil Engineer Squadron Weapons Intelligence Flight, a joint-service unit supporting the counter-improvised explosive device mission in Iraq; and

WHEREAS, Matt was on an assignment to collect forensic evidence when a device exploded and his neck was broken; he is recovering from his injury at the Walter Reed Hospital in Washington, D.C.; and

WHEREAS, After he completes his recovery, Matt wants to rejoin his unit in Iraq; his injury illustrates the tremendous sacrifices made by our military personnel who are fighting on behalf of this country's ideals and its commitment to spreading freedom; Matt is a courageous and tenacious soldier, and citizens of his state and nation are grateful for his service; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That the Senate of the State of Texas, 80th Legislature, hereby commend Corporal Matt Murray for his fortitude and his patriotism and extend to him best wishes for the future and a full recovery; and, be it further

RESOLVED, That a copy of this Resolution be prepared for him as an expression of highest regard from the Texas Senate.

Shapiro

President of the Senate

I hereby certify that the above Resolution was adopted by the Senate on March 12, 2007.

Secretary of the Senate

Member, Texas Senate