

SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 509

In Memory
of
Lori Piestewa

WHEREAS, The Senate of the State of Texas honors and commemorates the life of Specialist Lori Piestewa, of Tuba City, Arizona, who died on March 23, 2003, at the age of 23 while serving her country in Operation Iraqi Freedom; and

WHEREAS, Lori Piestewa was serving in Iraq with the 507th Army Ordnance Maintenance Company based at Fort Bliss; she and other members of her unit were ambushed by Iraqi forces in Nasiriyah after they stopped to repair stalled vehicles; and

WHEREAS, Lori was a Hopi Indian and was the daughter of a Vietnam veteran and the granddaughter of a World War I veteran; she was a source of great pride for the 8,200 people in the town of Tuba City on the Navajo Reservation close to Hopi land; she was the first American servicewoman to be killed in the war in Iraq; she was the mother of two children; and

WHEREAS, Specialist Piestewa was an honorable patriot who served her country faithfully and courageously; for her dedication and loyalty to her country, the State of Texas and this nation are eternally grateful; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That the Senate of the State of Texas, 80th Legislature, hereby pay tribute to the life of Specialist Lori Piestewa and extend sincere condolences to her bereaved family; and, be it further

RESOLVED, That a copy of this Resolution be prepared as an expression of deepest sympathy from the Texas Senate, and that

when the Senate adjourns this day, it do so in memory of
Specialist Lori Piestewa.

Shapleigh

Averitt
Brimer
Carona
Deuell
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Ellis
Eltife
Estes
Fraser
Gallegos

Harris
Hegar
Hinojosa
Jackson
Janek
Lucio
Nelson
Nichols
Ogden
Patrick

Seliger
Shapiro
Uresti
Van de Putte
Watson
Wentworth
West
Whitmire
Williams
Zaffirini

Dewhurst, President of the Senate

President of the Senate

I hereby certify that the
above Resolution was adopted by
the Senate on March 19, 2007, by a
rising vote.

Secretary of the Senate

Member, Texas Senate