

SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 817

In Memory
of
Phillip Isaac Neel

WHEREAS, The Senate of the State of Texas joins the citizens of Fredericksburg in mourning the loss of First Lieutenant Phillip Isaac Neel, who died April 8, 2007, at the age of 27 while serving his country in Iraq; and

WHEREAS, Phil Neel was born November 27, 1979; after he graduated from Fredericksburg High School in 1998, he enlisted in the United States Army and served as a paratrooper; after his first tour of duty, he enrolled in the United States Military Academy at West Point and graduated in 2005; and

WHEREAS, Lieutenant Neel was a member of the 3rd Battalion, 8th Cavalry Regiment, 3rd Brigade Combat Team, 1st Cavalry Division, based at Fort Hood; and

WHEREAS, A quiet, thoughtful young man, Lieutenant Neel will be remembered for his subtle, understated sense of humor and for his concern for others and devotion to his family; and

WHEREAS, Phil Neel demonstrated unwavering resolve and selfless courage in the performance of his duties; a highly trained and esteemed soldier, he earned several awards and citations in the course of his service, including the Army Good Conduct Medal, the Expert Infantryman Badge, and the Parachute Badge; and

WHEREAS, Phil Neel was beloved by his family and friends, and 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 Phillip Isaac Neel; and, be it further

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 Phillip Isaac Neel.

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Deuell
Duncan
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Eltife
Estes
Gallegos
Harris

Hegar
Hinojosa
Jackson
Janek
Lucio
Nelson
Nichols
Ogden
Patrick
Seliger

Fraser
Shapiro
Shapleigh
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 April 23, 2007, by a rising vote.

Secretary of the Senate

Member, Texas Senate