SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 1215

WHEREAS, The Senate of the State of Texas takes pride in joining citizens across America in observing our national holiday, Memorial Day, on Monday, May 28, 2007; and

WHEREAS, Memorial Day was originally called Decoration Day and was first observed on May 30, 1868, when flowers were placed on the graves of Union and Confederate soldiers; in 1968, Congress designated the last Monday in May as Memorial Day; and

WHEREAS, On Memorial Day, we pay homage to those who lost their lives fighting for our nation, for it is due to their courage and sacrifice that today our nation is free and prosperous; and

WHEREAS, This special day is an opportunity for

Americans everywhere to express their heartfelt gratitude to
the United States veterans, both living and dead, for the valor
and dedication they have shown on behalf of our beloved country;
today, there are over 1.5 million veterans living in Texas and
deserving of our praise; and

WHEREAS, Those who died for their country in World War I, World War II, the Korean Conflict, the Vietnam War, the Gulf War, Operation Iraqi Freedom, and other conflicts have left behind legacies of courage and devotion for generations of American citizens, as well as memories that will be treasured forever in the hearts and minds of all who knew them; and

WHEREAS, It is a grateful nation today that reflects upon our American heritage and recognizes the extreme sacrifices made by all who serve in the armed forces; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That the Senate of the State of Texas,

80th Legislature, hereby express appreciation to all the brave
men and women who have served our great country and honor the
memory of those who died on its behalf; and, be it further

RESOLVED, That a copy of this Resolution be prepared in honor of all who sacrificed their lives to protect our nation.

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I hereby certify that the above Resolution was adopted by the Senate on May 28, 2007, by a rising vote.

Secretary of the Senate

Member, Texas Senate