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R E S O L U T I O N

1 WHEREAS, Family and friends mourn the tragic loss of
2 U.S. Army First Lieutenant Timothy Wayne Cunningham, who died on
3 April 23, 2008, at the age of 26; and

4 WHEREAS, Assigned to the 1st Squadron, 32nd Cavalry Regiment,
5 1st Combat Brigade Combat Team, 101st Airborne Division out of Fort
6 Campbell, Kentucky, Lieutenant Cunningham lost his life as a result
7 of injuries suffered during a vehicle incident in Golden Hills,
8 Iraq; and

9 WHEREAS, Tim Cunningham was born in Houston on January 22,
10 1982, to John and Cindy Cunningham; after spending his early years
11 in Houston, Hurst, and Rusk, he moved with his family to Alvin,
12 where he graduated from high school; and

13 WHEREAS, During his school years, this energetic and outgoing
14 young Texan served on the student council, participated in track
15 and baseball, and earned membership in the National Honor Society;
16 the son of a Baptist minister, he was also extremely involved in
17 church activities, volunteering in the community and traveling on
18 mission trips to Brazil and Mexico; and

19 WHEREAS, Mr. Cunningham attended Texas A&M on a Navy ROTC
20 scholarship, serving as company chaplain; after a year, he decided
21 to follow in the footsteps of his older brother, John, and entered
22 the United States Military Academy at West Point, where he
23 graduated in 2006 as a first lieutenant with a degree in nuclear
24 engineering; and

1 WHEREAS, That same year he married his high school
2 sweetheart, the former Samantha Ann Morgenroth, and they were
3 blessed with a daughter, Abigail, the following year; Lieutenant
4 Cunningham went on to complete the Infantry Officer Basic Course
5 and the Ranger School at Fort Benning, Georgia, before joining his
6 brother in the 101st Airborne and deploying to Iraq; and

7 WHEREAS, Deeply devoted to his family, his country, and his
8 faith, Tim Cunningham will forever be remembered by all those who
9 knew and loved him as a dedicated and compassionate young man who
10 gave everything he had to everything he did; now, therefore, be it

11 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 81st Texas
12 Legislature hereby pay tribute to the life of First Lieutenant
13 Timothy Wayne Cunningham and extend sincere condolences to the
14 members of his family: to his wife, Samantha Cunningham; to his
15 daughter, Abigail Lynn Cunningham; to his parents, John and Cindy
16 Cunningham; to his brother, Captain John David Cunningham, and his
17 wife, Jamie Lynn; to his sisters, Christy Dawn, Sara Beth, and
18 Kelsey Lynn Cunningham; to his grandparents, Wayne and Marian
19 Cunningham and Edgar and Jean Jones; to his niece and nephew, Emily
20 and T. J. Bolton; to his in-laws, Guy, Wanda, Dylan, Dakota, and
21 Savannah Skinkis and Jonathan Morgenroth; and to his other
22 relatives and friends; and, be it further

23 RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be
24 prepared for his family and that when the Texas House of
25 Representatives adjourns this day, it do so in memory of Timothy
26 Wayne Cunningham.