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RESOLUTION

1 WHEREAS, Specialist Blake Allen Fletcher of Tomball has 2 rendered valiant service in Iraq as a member of the United States 3 Army, and it is a pleasure to honor him while he is home in Texas on 4 leave; and

5 WHEREAS, The son of State Representative Allen Fletcher and 6 Penny Fletcher, Blake Fletcher entered the army in April 2007, and 7 following more than a year of training, including air assault 8 school, he deployed to Forward Operating Base Garry Owen, Iraq; he 9 is assigned to the 988th Military Police Company, 2-7 Cavalry 10 Division out of Fort Hood and is scheduled to complete his 11 deployment in August 2009; and

WHEREAS, Specialist Fletcher hopes to build on his military experience to pursue a career in law enforcement, fulfilling a long-held dream to follow in his father's footsteps; he began working toward this goal as a member of ROTC in high school, and he was recognized by the Tomball chapter of the VFW with the Top Gun medal for marksmanship; in addition, he is interested in attending airborne school and receiving training to work with canines; and

WHEREAS, An outdoor enthusiast, Specialist Fletcher enjoys riding four-wheelers, hunting, and fishing, and in one hunting trip alone, shot a turkey, a deer, and a bobcat; moreover, he has been riding motorcycles since the age of 10; and

23 WHEREAS, Through his bravery, professionalism, and devotion 24 to duty, Specialist Fletcher embodies the highest ideals of the

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United States Army, and he is indeed deserving of his fellow
citizens' deep respect and appreciation; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 81st Texas Legislature hereby commend Specialist Blake Allen Fletcher for his exemplary service to his country and extend to him sincere best wishes for continued success in all of his endeavors; and, be it further

8 RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be 9 prepared for Specialist Fletcher as an expression of high regard by 10 the Texas House of Representatives.

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Speaker of the House

I certify that H.R. No. 1273 was adopted by the House on April 9, 2009, by a non-record vote.

Chief Clerk of the House