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R E S O L U T I O N

1           WHEREAS, America's military veterans hold a revered place in  
2 the history of this country and in the hearts of their fellow  
3 citizens, and on November 8, 2008, the people of Keller dedicated a  
4 memorial to all those from the Keller area who have served on active  
5 duty in the nation's armed forces; and

6           WHEREAS, Several years in the planning, the development of  
7 this memorial was led by the Keller Rotary Club in conjunction with  
8 the City of Keller, and the project benefited from the generous  
9 support of the Greater Keller Women's Club; many private citizens  
10 and a number of other organizations also contributed to bringing  
11 this project to fruition; and

12           WHEREAS, This imposing monument consists of seven granite  
13 pillars on which are engraved the names of all known Keller  
14 veterans, while the central column contains the names of more than  
15 30 individuals who made the ultimate sacrifice; completing the  
16 memorial is a large sculpture of an eagle with wings outspread;  
17 titled "Protector of Freedom" and created by Darrel Davis, the work  
18 symbolizes the mission of all service personnel and was chosen to  
19 grace the monument by a vote of Keller residents; and

20           WHEREAS, Our nation is fortunate to have sons and daughters  
21 whose love of country is such that they are willing to risk their  
22 lives in its service, and it is a privilege to join in recognizing  
23 these courageous Texans, to whom all Americans owe an immeasurable  
24 debt of gratitude and remembrance; now, therefore, be it

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1           RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 81st Texas  
2 Legislature hereby commemorate the dedication of the Keller  
3 Veterans Memorial and pay profound tribute to the brave and  
4 steadfast men and women whose names are recorded here for the ages.