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R E S O L U T I O N

1 WHEREAS, First Lieutenant John David Magri of the United
2 States Army returned home to Texas on March 17, 2009, following a
3 12-month deployment to Iraq, and he is indeed deserving of
4 recognition for his outstanding service in behalf of this nation;
5 and

6 WHEREAS, Born in Bogota, Colombia, to William and Martha
7 Magri, John Magri was raised in Houston; he began his military
8 career in August 2001, when he enlisted in the Texas National Guard;
9 after completing One Station Unit Training at Fort Benning,
10 Georgia, he was assigned as a rifleman and team leader with the 2nd
11 Battalion, 142nd Infantry, of the 36th Infantry Division; and

12 WHEREAS, Lieutenant Magri was accepted into the Simultaneous
13 Membership Program and enrolled in the Reserve Officer Training
14 Corps while completing his business administration studies at Texas
15 Tech University; following his graduation in May 2006, he completed
16 further military training and was then assigned to Bravo Company,
17 1st Battalion, 22nd Infantry, and took on the responsibilities of
18 mechanized infantry platoon leader and company executive officer;
19 and

20 WHEREAS, This courageous officer and his fellow soldiers were
21 deployed in support of Operation Iraqi Freedom and carried out
22 combat operations in Baghdad; in recognition of his exemplary
23 service, he has received the Bronze Star, the National Defense
24 Service Medal, the Global War on Terrorism Expeditionary and

1 Service Medals, the Iraq Campaign Medal, the Army Service Ribbon,
2 the Overseas Service Ribbon, and the Airborne Badge; he currently
3 serves as the commander of Bravo Company; and

4 WHEREAS, In his spare time, Lieutenant Magri enjoys outdoor
5 activities such as golf, hunting, and fishing; in addition, he is a
6 passionate fan of the Texas Tech Red Raiders football team and the
7 Houston Astros, and his timely return to the U.S. in spring 2009
8 allows him to keep close tabs on his favorite baseball team at the
9 start of a new season; and

10 WHEREAS, In his steadfast dedication to duty, Lieutenant John
11 D. Magri embodies the highest ideals of the United States armed
12 forces, and his admirable contributions to this nation's defense
13 have earned him the respect and appreciation of his fellow
14 citizens; now, therefore, be it

15 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 81st Texas
16 Legislature hereby pay tribute to First Lieutenant John David Magri
17 for his service in Iraq and in his other military assignments and
18 extend to him a hearty welcome home to the Lone Star State; and, be
19 it further

20 RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be
21 prepared for Lieutenant Magri as an expression of high regard by the
22 Texas House of Representatives.