

R E S O L U T I O N

1           WHEREAS, Words cannot adequately express the heartache felt  
2 at the loss of U.S. Army Sergeant Dustin S. Wakeman of Fort Worth,  
3 who died on August 4, 2007, at the age of 25; and

4           WHEREAS, Assigned to the 1st Squadron, 40th Cavalry Regiment,  
5 4th Brigade Combat Team, 25th Infantry Division, based out of Fort  
6 Richardson, Alaska, Sergeant Wakeman was killed while bravely  
7 serving his country in Iraq; and

8           WHEREAS, Dustin Wakeman was a 2000 graduate of Everman High  
9 School, where he was active in the band and in the drama, math, and  
10 science clubs; he attended Tarrant County College and The  
11 University of Texas at Arlington; trained as a medic, he was  
12 considering a career in medical services; and

13           WHEREAS, Americans owe a profound debt to our nation's  
14 servicemen and servicewomen, whose love for their country inspires  
15 them to take up military service, and their dedicated efforts and  
16 enormous sacrifices are deserving of their fellow citizens' deepest  
17 respect and gratitude; and

18           WHEREAS, Exemplifying the highest ideals of the U.S. armed  
19 forces, Dustin Wakeman inspired others with his commitment,  
20 leadership, and courage; although his death has left a void in the  
21 lives of his loved ones, they will forever carry memories of this  
22 heroic Texan close in their hearts; now, therefore, be it

23           RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 81st Texas  
24 Legislature hereby pay tribute to the life of Sergeant Dustin S.

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1 Wakeman and extend deepest sympathy to the members of his family:  
2 to his parents, David and Margaret Wakeman; to his brother, Zach  
3 Wakeman; and to his other relatives and friends; and, be it further

4       RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be  
5 prepared for his family and that when the Texas House of  
6 Representatives adjourns this day, it do so in memory of Sergeant  
7 Dustin S. Wakeman.

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Speaker of the House

I certify that H.R. No. 2187 was unanimously adopted by a rising vote of the House on May 25, 2009.

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Chief Clerk of the House