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H.R. No. 2256

R E S O L U T I O N

1 WHEREAS, The city of Round Rock and the Round Rock Chamber of
2 Commerce have joined together to support the U.S. Army 404th
3 Aviation Support Battalion as part of the Adopt-A-Unit program
4 sponsored by the Central Texas-Fort Hood Chapter of the Association
5 of the United States Army; and

6 WHEREAS, The 404th battalion is part of the Combat Aviation
7 Brigade of the 4th Infantry Division out of Fort Hood; deployed to
8 Iraq since June 2008, its 800 skilled and dedicated soldiers are
9 charged with maintaining aircraft, ground vehicles, and
10 communications; and

11 WHEREAS, More than 40 organizations, including businesses,
12 civic clubs, and neighborhood associations, have participated in
13 this exemplary effort to support the members of the 404th and their
14 families; organizations have also adopted individual platoons
15 within the battalion; and

16 WHEREAS, Volunteers have collected personal items for the
17 soldiers and provided hundreds of care packages, boxes of cookies,
18 and presents at Christmas; participants have also donated school
19 supplies to the children of soldiers and further reached out to
20 their families by sponsoring community picnics and movie nights;
21 and

22 WHEREAS, The individuals who have led the effort include
23 Round Rock City Council members Rufus Honeycutt and Kris Whitfield,
24 Eric Whitfield, Jonas Miller of Congressman John Carter's office,

1 Mayor Alan McGraw, and former mayor Nyle Maxwell; and

2 WHEREAS, In order to ensure our safety and our freedom, the
3 men and women of America's armed forces and their loved ones endure
4 hardship and sacrifice, and it is most fitting that the people of
5 Round Rock have found this meaningful way to demonstrate their
6 admiration and appreciation; now, therefore, be it

7 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 81st Texas
8 Legislature hereby commend the city of Round Rock, the Round Rock
9 Chamber of Commerce, and the participating individuals and
10 organizations for their adoption of the 404th Aviation Support
11 Battalion and extend to all involved in this worthwhile enterprise
12 sincere best wishes for continued success; and, be it further

13 RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be
14 prepared for the city of Round Rock and the Round Rock Chamber of
15 Commerce as an expression of high regard by the Texas House of
16 Representatives.