

R E S O L U T I O N

1 WHEREAS, Words cannot adequately express the heartache felt
2 at the loss of Sergeant Omar Leonardo Mora of Texas City, who died
3 while bravely serving this nation in Iraq on September 10, 2007, at
4 the age of 28; and

5 WHEREAS, Sergeant Mora was on his second tour of duty with the
6 82nd Airborne Division when he was mortally wounded in a vehicle
7 accident in Baghdad; and

8 WHEREAS, Born in Ecuador, Omar Mora came to the United States
9 at the age of two and grew up in Texas City; he graduated from La
10 Marque High School and went on to attend the College of the
11 Mainland; and

12 WHEREAS, A loving husband, father, son, and brother, Sergeant
13 Mora will be remembered for his cheerful nature, his zest for life,
14 and his strong desire to help others; for relaxation in his leisure
15 time, he enjoyed playing soccer, working on cars, and attending
16 functions at his church, St. Mary of the Miraculous Medal; and

17 WHEREAS, Sergeant Mora was drawn to the military out of a
18 sense of duty, enlisting to serve the United States before he had
19 even been granted citizenship; he was an American who fought to
20 defend the rights and privileges of all citizens of his adopted
21 country, including the freedom to openly and passionately express
22 one's personal beliefs; and

23 WHEREAS, Through his unfaltering devotion to duty and honor,
24 Sergeant Mora embodied the highest ideals of the United States

1 armed forces, and his immeasurable sacrifice is one that the
2 passage of time can never diminish; now, therefore, be it

3 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 81st Texas
4 Legislature hereby pay tribute to the life of Sergeant Omar
5 Leonardo Mora and extend sincere sympathy to the members of his
6 family: to his wife, Christa; to his daughter, Jordan; to his mother
7 and stepfather, Olga and Robert Capetillo; to his sister, Erica
8 Capetillo; to his brother, Roger Mora, and his wife, Eve; and to all
9 who mourn the passing of this beloved young man; and, be it further

10 RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be
11 prepared for his family and that when the Texas House of
12 Representatives adjourns this day, it do so in memory of Omar
13 Leonardo Mora.

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H.R. No. 2312

Speaker of the House

I certify that H.R. No. 2312 was unanimously adopted by a rising vote of the House on May 21, 2009.

Chief Clerk of the House