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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 Corporal William David O'Brien of Rice, who  
3 died while bravely serving his country on March 15, 2008, at the age  
4 of 19; and

5 WHEREAS, Assigned to the 1st Battalion, 28th Infantry  
6 Regiment, 4th Brigade Combat Team, 1st Infantry Division, based out  
7 of Fort Riley, Kansas, Corporal O'Brien was killed while serving in  
8 Baghdad, Iraq; he was awarded a Bronze Star Medal and a Purple  
9 Heart; and

10 WHEREAS, Will O'Brien was born in Ennis on March 30, 1988;  
11 dedicated to the army, his family, and his friends, he was a  
12 fun-loving young man who enjoyed spending time outdoors and  
13 especially liked playing golf; and

14 WHEREAS, Exemplifying the highest ideals of the U.S. armed  
15 forces, Will O'Brien inspired others with his fortitude, tenacity,  
16 and courage; although his death leaves a void in the lives of his  
17 loved ones, they will forever carry memories of this heroic Texan  
18 close in their hearts; now, therefore, be it

19 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 81st Texas  
20 Legislature hereby pay tribute to the life of Corporal William  
21 David O'Brien and extend deepest sympathy to his family: to his  
22 mother, Dawn O'Brien; to his father, Tom O'Brien; to his brother,  
23 John Anthony O'Brien, and his wife, Haley; to his half brothers,  
24 James Michael O'Brien and his wife, Judy, Robert Joseph O'Brien, and

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1 First Sergeant Daniel Shawn O'Brien and his wife, Chilo; to his  
2 half sister, Michele Leigh Nolan; to his grandfather, Frank  
3 Reznicek; and to his many other relatives and friends; and, be it  
4 further

5       RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be  
6 prepared for his family and that when the Texas House of  
7 Representatives adjourns this day, it do so in memory of  
8 U.S. Army Corporal William David O'Brien.