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R E S O L U T I O N

1 WHEREAS, Words cannot adequately express the sorrow felt at
2 the death of U.S. Army Specialist Jermaine Donnell Franklin of
3 Arlington, who died on November 9, 2007, at the age of 22; and

4 WHEREAS, Assigned to the 1st Squadron, 32nd Cavalry Regiment,
5 1st Brigade Combat Team, 101st Airborne Division, Specialist
6 Franklin lost his life while bravely serving his country in Iraq;
7 and

8 WHEREAS, Known for his fine sense of humor and his way with
9 children, Specialist Franklin admired his grandfather and father,
10 both of whom served this country in battle, and he proudly followed
11 in their footsteps when he joined the United States Army; and

12 WHEREAS, Our state and nation are fortunate to have men and
13 women whose love for their country inspires them to take up military
14 service, yet the tragic death of this young soldier is a sobering
15 reminder of the cost of war; Specialist Franklin embodied the
16 highest ideals of the U.S. armed forces, and those who knew and
17 loved him will forever carry him close in their hearts; now,
18 therefore, be it

19 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 81st Texas
20 Legislature hereby pay tribute to the life of U.S. Army Specialist
21 Jermaine Donnell Franklin and extend deepest sympathy to all those
22 who mourn his passing; and, be it further

23 RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be
24 prepared for his family and that when the Texas House of

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1 Representatives adjourns this day, it do so in memory of U.S. Army
2 Specialist Jermaine Donnell Franklin.