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R E S O L U T I O N

1 WHEREAS, The family and friends of United States Marine Lance
2 Corporal Emmanuel Villarreal of Eagle Pass suffered a great loss
3 with the passing of this outstanding young man in Kuwait on May 27,
4 2007, at the age of 21; and

5 WHEREAS, Corporal Villarreal was assigned to Battalion
6 Landing Team 1st Battalion, 11th Marine Regiment, 13th Marine
7 Expeditionary Unit, I Marine Expeditionary Force, and based at Camp
8 Pendleton, California; he was mortally injured in a vehicle
9 accident while loading heavy artillery at Kuwait Naval Base; at the
10 time, Corporal Villarreal had just begun his second tour of duty in
11 support of operations in Iraq; and

12 WHEREAS, A Texan who had long wanted to serve his country,
13 Emmanuel Villarreal joined the marines in July 2004, shortly after
14 receiving his diploma from C. C. Winn High School; in the corps, his
15 ability, dedication to duty, and friendly personality won him the
16 respect of his commanding officer and the affection and goodwill of
17 the other members of his unit; he also became a valued part of the
18 congregation at the church he attended in Oceanside when not on
19 deployment; and

20 WHEREAS, Corporal Villarreal met his wife, Sylvia, while
21 stationed in California, and they exchanged wedding vows at his
22 family's home in Eagle Pass on December 30, 2006; and

23 WHEREAS, All Americans owe a profound debt of gratitude to
24 Corporal Emmanuel Villarreal for his readiness to assume the heavy

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1 demands of military service and for his courageous, steadfast
2 efforts in this country's behalf; now, therefore, be it

3 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 81st Texas
4 Legislature hereby pay tribute to the life of Lance Corporal
5 Emmanuel Villarreal and extend sincere sympathy to the members of
6 his family: to his wife, Sylvia Villarreal; to his mother,
7 Esperanza Villarreal; to his sister, Edna Elizabeth Villarreal; and
8 to his other relatives and friends; and, be it further

9 RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be
10 prepared for his family and that when the Texas House of
11 Representatives adjourns this day, it do so in memory of Lance
12 Corporal Emmanuel Villarreal.