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H.R. No. 2332

R E S O L U T I O N

1           WHEREAS, The family and friends of Lieutenant Kile Grant West  
2 suffered an immeasurable loss with the death of this beloved young  
3 man in Iraq on May 28, 2007, at the age of 23; and

4           WHEREAS, A native of Pasadena, Kile West attended Hutto High  
5 School and participated in baseball, football, track, and FFA; he  
6 went on to pursue higher education at Blinn College and Stephen F.  
7 Austin State University, where he was active in the ROTC program and  
8 Delta Chi Fraternity; and

9           WHEREAS, While earning his degree in business management, he  
10 became a sergeant in the National Guard and assisted in the Columbia  
11 Shuttle recovery efforts and Hurricane Katrina relief; he went on  
12 to fulfill a long-held goal when he was commissioned as a lieutenant  
13 in the United States Army; and

14           WHEREAS, Lieutenant West was deployed to Iraq on October 3,  
15 2006; notwithstanding the hardships that he faced in a war zone, he  
16 performed his work with pride and professionalism, and his heroism  
17 earned him both the Bronze Star and the Purple Heart; and

18           WHEREAS, This beloved son and brother was known for his  
19 compassion for others and his ability to achieve his goals; in  
20 addition to spending time with his loved ones, he enjoyed weight  
21 lifting and hunting; and

22           WHEREAS, Through his unwavering dedication to duty and honor,  
23 Kile West embodied the highest ideals of the United States armed  
24 forces, and the blessing of his life will be forever treasured by

1 those who were privileged to share in the warmth of his love and  
2 friendship; now, therefore, be it

3         RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 81st Texas  
4 Legislature hereby pay tribute to the life of Lieutenant Kile Grant  
5 West and extend deepest sympathy to the members of his family: to  
6 his mother, Nanette West, and her companion, Rodney Carr; to his  
7 father, Grady West, and his wife, Melissa; to his sisters, Kelli and  
8 Kara West; to his brother, Carter West; to his grandparents,  
9 Marlene and Dean Schwartz and Edith West; to his aunts, Kelli  
10 Peveto, Kristi Davis, Mary West, Sharon Hovendick, and Lanita  
11 Bristowe; to his uncles, Dean Schwartz II and Gary and David West;  
12 and to his other relatives and friends; and, be it further

13         RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be  
14 prepared for his family and that when the Texas House of  
15 Representatives adjourns this day, it do so in memory of Lieutenant  
16 Kile Grant West.