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R E S O L U T I O N

1 WHEREAS, The family and friends of United States Army
2 Sergeant Conrad Alvarez of Big Spring have suffered a grievous loss
3 with the passing of this brave soldier in Iraq on February 20, 2008,
4 at the age of 22; and

5 WHEREAS, Sergeant Alvarez was assigned to A Company, 1st
6 Battalion, 502nd Infantry Regiment, 2nd Brigade Combat Team, 101st
7 Airborne Division (Air Assault), and based at Fort Campbell; he was
8 serving his second tour of duty in Iraq when he was mortally
9 wounded, together with two fellow soldiers, in Baghdad; and

10 WHEREAS, Born and raised in Roscoe, Conrad Alvarez attended
11 Roscoe High School and played on the Plowboys football team, which
12 benefited from his outstanding skill as a punt returner; he
13 graduated from high school in Hobbs in November 2003 and joined the
14 army in March 2005; and

15 WHEREAS, Sergeant Alvarez showed exceptional aptitude in the
16 military, and he received rapid promotion; he took great pride in
17 serving his country and was considering becoming an army recruiter;
18 and

19 WHEREAS, From the time he was a youth, Conrad Alvarez looked
20 out for other people; beloved for his ready smile and cheerful,
21 outgoing nature, he won the deep affection of a host of friends; and

22 WHEREAS, The awards conferred on Sergeant Alvarez include the
23 Army Commendation Medal, National Defense Service Medal, Iraq
24 Campaign Medal, Global War on Terrorism Service Medal, Army Service

1 Ribbon, Combat Infantryman Badge, and Weapons Qualification, M4,
2 expert; and

3 WHEREAS, Through his unfaltering devotion to duty, honor, and
4 this country, Sergeant Alvarez embodied the highest ideals of the
5 United States armed forces, and the blessing of his life will be
6 forever cherished by those who were privileged to share in his love
7 and friendship; now, therefore, be it

8 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 81st Texas
9 Legislature hereby pay tribute to the memory of Sergeant Conrad
10 Alvarez and extend sincere sympathy to the members of his family:
11 to his wife, Maira Alvarez; to his son, Kristian Thomas Alvarez; to
12 his daughters, Celeste and Alyssa Alvarez; to his mother and
13 stepfather, Belinda and Pete Garcia; to his father, Arthur Alvarez;
14 to his sister and brother, Christina Menchaca and Timothy Alcala;
15 and to his other relatives and friends; and, be it further

16 RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be
17 prepared for his family and that when the Texas House of
18 Representatives adjourns this day, it do so in memory of Sergeant
19 Conrad Alvarez.