

By: Anderson

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R E S O L U T I O N

1           WHEREAS, The friends and family of U.S. Marine Lance Corporal  
2 Johnny Ray Strong suffered an immeasurable loss with the death of  
3 this valiant soldier on June 12, 2007, at the age of 21; and

4           WHEREAS, Lance Corporal Strong was killed while bravely  
5 serving his country during his second tour of duty in Iraq; a native  
6 of Temple, he was born on May 24, 1986, to loving parents Steven and  
7 Jacqueline Williams Strong; and

8           WHEREAS, Known for his joyful, gregarious nature, Lance  
9 Corporal Strong enjoyed bowling, putt-putt, shooting pool,  
10 listening to music, and playing video games; above all else, he  
11 valued time spent with his family; and

12           WHEREAS, Exemplifying the highest ideals of the U.S. armed  
13 forces, Johnny Strong inspired others with his fortitude, tenacity,  
14 and courage; although his passing leaves a void in the lives of  
15 those who were fortunate enough to know him, they will forever carry  
16 memories of this beloved young man close in their hearts; now,  
17 therefore, be it

18           RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 81st Texas  
19 Legislature hereby pay special tribute to the life of Johnny Ray  
20 Strong and extend sincere sympathy to his parents, Steven and  
21 Jacqueline Williams Strong; to his grandparents, Minerva D.  
22 Williams and Elsworth Williams, Jr., Elizabeth Merritt, and Ferrell  
23 Jeppesen; to Thomas and Gracie McGlaulin; and to all who mourn his  
24 passing; and, be it further

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1           RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be  
2 prepared for his family and that when the Texas House of  
3 Representatives adjourns this day, it do so in memory of U.S. Marine  
4 Lance Corporal Johnny Ray Strong.