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H.R. No. 2512

R E S O L U T I O N

1           WHEREAS, The family and friends of U.S. Army Captain Michael  
2 Allen Norman suffered an immeasurable loss with the death of this  
3 valiant soldier on January 31, 2008, at the age of 36; and

4           WHEREAS, A member of the Military Transition Team, Captain  
5 Norman was assigned to the 1st Brigade, 1st Infantry Division,  
6 based at Fort Riley in Kansas; having volunteered for deployment,  
7 he helped train Iraqi police, and he was mortally wounded in  
8 Baghdad; and

9           WHEREAS, Born in Austin in 1971, Michael Norman was the  
10 youngest of the two sons of Conny and Beverly Norman; since his  
11 father was a member of the United States Army, Mr. Norman and his  
12 family relocated often, and he spent his elementary school years in  
13 Florence and attended middle school in Germany; after returning to  
14 the Lone Star State, Mr. Norman graduated from Anderson High School  
15 in Austin, where he played football and baseball, and he went on to  
16 earn a bachelor's degree from The University of Texas; and

17           WHEREAS, Following in his father's footsteps, Mr. Norman  
18 joined the Army in 1992, and he was later stationed in Korea; during  
19 his tour of duty overseas, he met his future wife, June, and they  
20 were married in September 1994; and

21           WHEREAS, Cherished by many for his kind and charming nature,  
22 Captain Norman was a devoted family man, and he enjoyed playing  
23 guitar and singing; he was also a proud Texan and an ardent sports  
24 fan, and he closely followed his favorite team, the Dallas Cowboys;

1 and

2 WHEREAS, Americans owe a profound debt to our nation's  
3 military personnel, and their dedicated efforts and enormous  
4 sacrifices are deserving of the utmost respect and gratitude;  
5 through his unfaltering devotion to duty, honor, and this country,  
6 Captain Norman embodied the highest ideals of the United States  
7 armed forces, and those who knew him will forever hold his memory  
8 close in their hearts; now, therefore, be it

9 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 81st Texas  
10 Legislature hereby pay tribute to the life of Captain Michael Allen  
11 Norman and extend sincere sympathy to the members of his family: to  
12 his wife, June Norman; to his children, Sammy and Summer Norman; to  
13 his parents, Conny and Beverly Norman; and to his other relatives  
14 and friends; and, be it further

15 RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be  
16 prepared for his family and that when the Texas House of  
17 Representatives adjourns this day, it do so in memory of Captain  
18 Michael Allen Norman.