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## RESOLUTION

1 WHEREAS, Family and friends of U.S. Army Chief Warrant 2 Officer 2 Corry Ardel Edwards of Kennedale suffered an immeasurable 3 loss with his death in Iraq on September 18, 2008, at the age of 38; 4 and

5 WHEREAS, Assigned to the 2nd Battalion, 149th Aviation 6 Regiment, 36th Combat Aviation Brigade, Texas Army National Guard, 7 out of Grand Prairie, Chief Warrant Officer Edwards was a longtime 8 member of the Texas Army National Guard and had previously served in 9 Bosnia-Herzegovina in 2003 and 2004; he was killed when his 10 helicopter went down near Tallil and was promoted posthumously to 11 chief warrant officer 2; and

WHEREAS, Corry Edwards was born in Midwest City, Oklahoma, on September 23, 1969, and graduated from Sam Houston High School in Arlington in 1988; he earned his paramedic certification in 1994 and was employed by American Medical Response the following year; in 1997, he went to work for the Dallas Army Aviation Support Facility; and

18 WHEREAS, Greatly admired for his strength of character and 19 for his kind and helpful nature, Chief Warrant Officer Edwards 20 earned the respect of his fellow soldiers and the affection of all 21 who knew him; and

22 WHEREAS, Our state and nation are fortunate to have men and 23 women whose love of country inspires them to take up military 24 service; Corry Edwards embodied the highest ideals of the U.S.

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1 armed forces, and although he is deeply missed, his loved ones will 2 forever carry his memory close in their hearts; now, therefore, be 3 it

4 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 81st Texas 5 Legislature hereby pay tribute to the life of Chief Warrant Officer 2 Corry Ardel Edwards and extend sincere condolences to the members 6 of his family: to his wife, Nannette; to his sons, Killian Hunter 7 8 Edwards and Logan Samuel Edwards; to his parents, Charlie and Glenda Hamilton; to his sister, Samantha Simpson; to his niece, 9 Hailey Bothel; and to his other relatives and friends; and, be it 10 further 11

12 RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be 13 prepared for his family and that when the Texas House of 14 Representatives adjourns this day, it do so in memory of Corry Ardel 15 Edwards.

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Speaker of the House

I certify that H.R. No. 2580 was unanimously adopted by a rising vote of the House on May 25, 2009.

Chief Clerk of the House