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R E S O L U T I O N

1 WHEREAS, Words cannot adequately convey the heartache felt at
2 the loss of U.S. Army Corporal Zachary Ryan Endsley, who died on
3 July 23, 2007, at the age of 21; and

4 WHEREAS, Assigned to the 1st Battalion, 4th Infantry
5 Regiment, Corporal Endsley was killed while bravely serving his
6 country in Afghanistan; and

7 WHEREAS, A former resident of Spring, he was known for his
8 mischievous sense of humor, and delighted in playing practical
9 jokes on his family and friends; in his free time, this talented
10 artist and musician enjoyed drawing and playing his guitar; and

11 WHEREAS, Corporal Endsley attended Oak Ridge High School,
12 where he was a member of the Air Force JROTC; he also volunteered
13 with the Civil Air Patrol as a teenager; after graduating in 2004,
14 he attended community college before fulfilling a longtime goal of
15 joining the military in 2005; and

16 WHEREAS, Americans owe a profound debt to our nation's
17 servicemen and servicewomen, whose courageous efforts and enormous
18 sacrifices are deserving of their fellow citizens' deepest respect
19 and gratitude; and

20 WHEREAS, Exemplifying the highest ideals of the U.S. armed
21 forces, Zach Endsley inspired others with his determination and
22 courage; although his death has left a void in the lives of his
23 loved ones, they will forever carry memories of this heroic young
24 man close in their hearts; now, therefore, be it

1 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 81st Texas
2 Legislature hereby pay tribute to the life of Corporal Zachary Ryan
3 Endsley and extend deepest sympathy to his mother and stepfather,
4 Melinda and David Carroll; to his father, Terry Endsley; to his
5 brother, Aaron Endsley; to his stepsisters, Katie Petty and her
6 husband, Shawn, and Kimberly Worthington and her husband, Tyler;
7 and to his other relatives and many friends; and, be it further

8 RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be
9 prepared for his family and that when the Texas House of
10 Representatives adjourns this day, it do so in memory of Corporal
11 Zachary Ryan Endsley.