## HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

1 WHEREAS, The family and friends of U.S. Army Chief Warrant 2 Officer 2 Bradley Justin Gaudet of Gladewater have suffered a 3 grievous loss with his passing in Afghanistan on June 5, 2011, at 4 the age of 31; and

5 WHEREAS, Chief Warrant Officer Gaudet was assigned to the 1st 6 Battalion, 10th Aviation Regiment, 10th Combat Aviation Brigade, 7 10th Mountain Division; a Kiowa Warrior helicopter pilot, he was 8 serving his first tour of duty in Afghanistan, having previously 9 completed two tours in Iraq; Chief Warrant Officer Gaudet was 10 mortally injured in a helicopter crash during combat operations in 11 Khost Province; and

12 WHEREAS, Brad Gaudet attended Gladewater High School, where he played on numerous sports teams; he joined the army reserve 13 14 during his junior year and attended his first boot camp the following summer; ever since childhood he had dreamed of becoming a 15 16 pilot, and after serving in the reserve he enlisted in the army, where he was able to achieve his goal; at his home base, Fort Drum, 17 New York, he was assigned to the Sixth Cavalry Regiment, Squadron 18 Six; and 19

20 WHEREAS, This courageous, exuberant young man took the 21 challenges of his work in his stride; he was sustained in his 22 difficult mission by his strong faith and by his deep commitment to 23 advancing the cause of freedom; and

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WHEREAS, Brad Gaudet was the devoted husband of Ginny Gaudet

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1 and the proud father of two daughters, Tealie and Addison; and

2 WHEREAS, Through his unfaltering dedication to duty, his 3 fellow soldiers, and this country, Chief Warrant Officer Gaudet 4 reflected the highest ideals of the United States Army, and those 5 who shared in the warmth of his love and affection will forever hold 6 him close in their hearts; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That the 82nd Legislature of the State of Texas, 1st Called Session, hereby pay tribute to the life of Chief Warrant Officer 2 Bradley Justin Gaudet and extend sincere sympathy to the members of his family: to his wife, Ginny Gaudet; to his daughters, Tealie and Addison; to his mother and stepfather, Rhonda and Scott Owens; to his father, Ronnie Gaudet; to his six siblings; and to his other relatives and many friends; and, be it further

RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be prepared for his family and that when the Texas House of Representatives and Senate adjourn this day, they do so in memory of Chief Warrant Officer 2 Bradley Justin Gaudet.

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President of the Senate

Speaker of the House

I certify that H.C.R. No. 19 was unanimously adopted by a rising vote of the House on June 21, 2011.

Chief Clerk of the House

I certify that H.C.R. No. 19 was unanimously adopted by a rising vote of the Senate on June 27, 2011.

Secretary of the Senate

APPROVED: \_\_\_\_\_

Date

Governor