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## RESOLUTION

- 1 WHEREAS, The family and friends of U.S. Army Staff Sergeant
- 2 Nicholas Price Bellard of El Paso suffered an immeasurable loss
- 3 with the death of this valiant soldier on June 13, 2011, at the age
- 4 of 26; and
- 5 WHEREAS, Assigned to the 6th Squadron, 9th Cavalry Regiment,
- 6 3rd Brigade Combat Team, 1st Cavalry Division, Staff Sergeant
- 7 Bellard was killed while bravely serving his second tour of duty in
- 8 Iraq; and
- 9 WHEREAS, A native of Crowley, Louisiana, Nicholas Bellard
- 10 moved to El Paso at the age of 13; after graduating from high
- 11 school, he joined the army in 2003, and his skill and dedication to
- 12 duty earned him many honors, including two Army Commendation
- 13 Medals, five Army Achievement Medals, two Army Good Conduct Medals,
- 14 and the National Defense Service Medal; and
- 15 WHEREAS, Sergeant Bellard was devoted to his family,
- 16 including his beloved wife, Veronica, and their two-year-old
- 17 daughter, Eva; and
- WHEREAS, Exemplifying the highest ideals of the U.S. armed
- 19 forces, Nicholas Bellard inspired others with his leadership and
- 20 service, and those who were fortunate enough to know him will
- 21 forever carry his memory close in their hearts; now, therefore, be
- 22 it
- 23 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 82nd Texas
- 24 Legislature, 1st Called Session, hereby pay tribute to the life of

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- 1 U.S. Army Staff Sergeant Nicholas Price Bellard and extend deepest
- 2 sympathy to his wife, Veronica, to his daughter, Eva, and to his
- 3 other relatives and many friends; and, be it further
- 4 RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be
- 5 prepared for his family and that when the Texas House of
- 6 Representatives adjourns this day, it do so in memory of U.S. Army
- 7 Staff Sergeant Nicholas Price Bellard.