

SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 84

In Memory  
of  
Nicholas P. Bellard

**WHEREAS,** The Senate of the State of Texas honors and commemorates the life of Staff Sergeant Nicholas P. Bellard, of the United States Army, who died June 13, 2011, at the age of 26, while serving his country in Iraq; and

**WHEREAS,** Staff Sergeant Nicholas Bellard joined the military as a cavalry scout; he was serving in Iraq with the 6th Squadron, 9th Cavalry Regiment, 3rd Brigade Combat Team, 1st Cavalry Division, based at Fort Hood; he died when an improvised explosive device exploded near his unit, which was operating in Wasit Province; and

**WHEREAS,** Nicholas grew up in Crowley, Louisiana, and moved with his mother and three brothers to El Paso when he was 13 years old; he met his wife, Veronica, in El Paso, and they lived in Killeen with their 2-year-old daughter, Eva; and

**WHEREAS,** Nicholas was known for his integrity, his intellect, and his positive outlook on life; he enlisted in the Army nine years ago to have a steady job and help put his wife through school, and he quickly realized that military service was his true calling; and

**WHEREAS,** An outstanding soldier, Nicholas served his country with courage and dedication; he received numerous decorations for his meritorious service, and his patriotism and devotion to duty are truly exemplary; now, therefore, be it

**RESOLVED**, That the Senate of the State of Texas, 82nd Legislature, 1st Called Session, hereby pay tribute to the life and service of Staff Sergeant Nicholas P. Bellard and extend sincere condolences to his bereaved family; and, be it further

**RESOLVED**, That a copy of this Resolution be prepared for his family as an expression of deepest sympathy from the Texas Senate, and that when the Senate adjourns this day, it do so in memory of Staff Sergeant Nicholas P. Bellard.

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Birdwell	Harris	Seliger
Carona	Hegar	Shapiro
Davis	Hinojosa	Uresti
Deuell	Huffman	Van de Putte
Duncan	Jackson	Watson
Ellis	Lucio	Wentworth
Eltife	Nelson	West
Estes	Nichols	Whitmire
Fraser	Ogden	Williams
Gallegos	Patrick	Zaffirini

Dewhurst, President of the Senate

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President of the Senate

I hereby certify that the above Resolution was adopted by the Senate on June 22, 2011, by a rising vote.

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Secretary of the Senate

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Member, Texas Senate