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H.R. No. 108

R E S O L U T I O N

1           WHEREAS, The family and friends of U.S. Army Private First  
2 Class Benjamin Glen Chisholm suffered an immeasurable loss with the  
3 death of this valiant soldier on August 17, 2010, at the age of 24;  
4 and

5           WHEREAS, Private Chisholm was assigned to the 1st Battalion,  
6 327th Infantry Regiment, 1st Brigade Combat Team, 101st Airborne  
7 Division at Fort Campbell, Kentucky; he was mortally wounded in  
8 Kunar Province while serving his country on his first tour of duty  
9 in Afghanistan; and

10           WHEREAS, Born in Silver Spring, Maryland, on October 3, 1985,  
11 Ben Chisholm spent his early years in Colorado and Utah before his  
12 family moved to the Fort Worth area in 1998; a graduate of Northwest  
13 High School in Justin and a participant in Junior ROTC and the Young  
14 Marines, he enlisted in the army in August 2008; and

15           WHEREAS, Private Chisholm was deployed to Afghanistan in May  
16 2010; among the awards and decorations posthumously conferred on  
17 him were the Bronze Star, the Purple Heart, and the Good Conduct  
18 Medal; and

19           WHEREAS, This brave Texan was known for his cheerful smile  
20 and infectious good humor; he was a frequent volunteer at the Rocky  
21 Top Therapy Center in Keller, which provides equine therapy for the  
22 disabled, and a Benjamin Chisholm Memorial Fund has been created  
23 there to benefit veterans and their families; and

24           WHEREAS, Ben Chisholm married the love of his life, U.S. Army

1 Specialist Amber Ferguson, on March 15, 2010; and

2 WHEREAS, Americans owe a profound debt to our nation's  
3 servicemen and servicewomen, whose sacrifices are deserving of the  
4 deepest respect and gratitude; through his unwavering dedication to  
5 duty, Benjamin Chisholm embodied the highest ideals of the United  
6 States armed forces, and those who knew him will forever hold his  
7 memory close in their hearts; now, therefore, be it

8 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 82nd Texas  
9 Legislature hereby pay tribute to the life of Private First Class  
10 Benjamin Chisholm and extend sincere sympathy to his loved ones,  
11 including Amber Ferguson Chisholm, Linda Reynolds and Skip Doerr,  
12 Glenn and Lynn Chisholm, James David Breuel, Annie A. Reynolds,  
13 Fern Hiatt, Oscar and Davina Ferguson, Alyssa Breuel, Tammy Breuel,  
14 Megan Doerr, Tami Rose, Tiffany Merrill, Stacy Humphreys, Alexis  
15 Chisholm, Jay Breuel, Scott Doerr, and Tracy Humphreys; and, be it  
16 further

17 RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be  
18 prepared for his family and that when the Texas House of  
19 Representatives adjourns this day, it do so in memory of U.S. Army  
20 Private First Class Benjamin Glen Chisholm.