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R E S O L U T I O N

1 WHEREAS, Words cannot adequately express the heartache felt
2 at the death of U.S. Army Private First Class Cody A. Board of
3 McKinney, who lost his life while bravely serving his country in
4 Afghanistan on October 4, 2010; and

5 WHEREAS, Assigned to the 3rd Platoon, Apache Company, 1st
6 Squadron, 2nd Stryker Cavalry Regiment based in Vilseck, Germany,
7 Private First Class Board was mortally wounded just one week shy of
8 his 20th birthday; and

9 WHEREAS, Cody Board was born on October 12, 1990, in Fort
10 Sill, Oklahoma, to Chris and Melissa Board; the son of a West Point
11 graduate and Desert Storm veteran, he knew from childhood that he
12 wanted to one day become a soldier; he moved with his family to
13 McKinney in 1999 and lettered in wrestling and cross-country in
14 high school, and after graduating in 2009, he followed in the
15 footsteps of his father, uncle, and grandfather by enlisting in the
16 U.S. Army; and

17 WHEREAS, Among the numerous military awards conferred on
18 Private Board were the Combat Infantryman Badge and the National
19 Defense Service Medal, and he was posthumously honored with the
20 Bronze Star and the Purple Heart; he is remembered for his endearing
21 smile, his sense of humor, and his perseverance; and

22 WHEREAS, Private First Class Board embodied the highest
23 standards of the United States armed forces, and his valiant
24 efforts and immense sacrifice are deserving of the respect and

1 appreciation of every American; although his loss has left a
2 tremendous void in the lives of all who knew him, they will forever
3 treasure their memories of time spent in his company; now,
4 therefore, be it

5 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 82nd Texas
6 Legislature hereby pay tribute to the life of U.S. Army Private
7 First Class Cody A. Board and extend sincere sympathy to the members
8 of his family: to his father, retired U.S. Army Captain Christopher
9 W. Board; to his mother, Melissa Board; to his brothers, Aaron and
10 Tyler Board; to his grandparents, Robert Board and retired U.S.
11 Army Command Sergeant Major Albert Daley; and to his other
12 relatives and many friends; and, be it further

13 RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be
14 prepared for his family and that when the Texas House of
15 Representatives adjourns this day, it do so in memory of Private
16 First Class Cody A. Board.