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H.R. No. 190

R E S O L U T I O N

1 WHEREAS, Words cannot adequately express the sorrow felt at
2 the loss of U.S. Army Second Lieutenant Darryn Deen Andrews, who
3 died on September 4, 2009, at the age of 34; and

4 WHEREAS, Assigned to the 1st Battalion, 501st Parachute
5 Infantry Regiment, 4th Brigade Combat Team (Airborne), 25th
6 Infantry Division, Lieutenant Andrews was based at Fort Richardson,
7 Alaska; he was killed in action while bravely serving his country
8 during his second tour of duty in Afghanistan; and

9 WHEREAS, Darryn Andrews was born to Robert and Sondra Andrews
10 in Ogden, Utah; he attended C. H. Yoe High School in Cameron, where
11 he played baseball, football, and basketball and was active in
12 drama and the student council; with scholarships from the Veterans
13 of Foreign Wars and the Athletic Booster Club, he earned a
14 bachelor's degree in business from Texas Tech University, and he
15 went on to receive a master's degree in education administration
16 from Texas State University; and

17 WHEREAS, Since childhood, Mr. Andrews had been inspired by
18 his grandfather's service in World War II, and after the attacks of
19 9/11, he surprised no one when he answered his nation's call to duty
20 and enlisted in the army; a proud soldier, he planned to dedicate
21 his life to the military; and

22 WHEREAS, Lieutenant Andrews married the former Julie Smith on
23 February 26, 2007; the couple were blessed with a son, Daylan Deen,
24 and Mrs. Andrews was pregnant with their second child at the time of

1 her husband's death; and

2 WHEREAS, Through his unfailing devotion to duty, honor, and
3 this country, Lieutenant Andrews upheld the highest ideals of the
4 United States armed forces, and those who were blessed to share in
5 the richness of his life will forever carry him close in their
6 hearts; now, therefore, be it

7 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 82nd Texas
8 Legislature hereby pay tribute to the memory of Second Lieutenant
9 Darryn Deen Andrews and extend sincere condolences to the members
10 of his family: to his wife, Julie Andrews; to his children, Daylan
11 Deen and Jacey D'Ann Andrews; to his parents, Robert "Andy" and
12 Sondra Andrews; to his twin brother, Jarrett Andrews; to his
13 grandmother, Colleen Andrews; to his parents-in-law, Lawrence and
14 Shirley Smith; to his brother-in-law, Jeremy Smith; and to his
15 other relatives and many friends; and, be it further

16 RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be
17 prepared for his family and that when the Texas House of
18 Representatives adjourns this day, it do so in memory of Second
19 Lieutenant Darryn Deen Andrews.