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R E S O L U T I O N

1 WHEREAS, The Patriot Guard Riders of South Texas is an
2 organization committed to honoring United States military
3 personnel and to paying special tribute to those who have given
4 their lives in service to the country; and

5 WHEREAS, Affiliated with a national group that has more than
6 200,000 members across the United States, the Patriot Guard Riders
7 of South Texas includes both veterans and nonveterans and riders
8 and nonriders, and its membership is open to individuals
9 representing a variety of political opinions; what unites this
10 diverse group of people is their unwavering respect for the armed
11 forces and their desire to pay homage to America's fallen heroes;
12 and

13 WHEREAS, The South Texas chapter of the PGR carries out its
14 objectives in a number of ways, such as visiting veterans' homes and
15 VA hospitals; participants also come together to send off
16 servicemen and servicewomen who are departing for tours of duty and
17 to welcome those who are returning home; and

18 WHEREAS, The Patriot Guard Riders formed to attend funerals
19 and memorials for fallen military personnel as guests of the
20 families who have lost their loved ones; through strictly
21 nonviolent means, PGR members may also shield the attendees from
22 interruptions to the services created by protestors; by supporting
23 the mourning families, their friends, and their communities, this
24 notable organization demonstrates a deep appreciation for those who

1 have fought to ensure the freedom and security of the nation; and

2 WHEREAS, Members of the Patriot Guard Riders of South Texas
3 perform a noble function by honoring fallen soldiers and supporting
4 military families, and the group's efforts are an important
5 reminder that members of the armed forces deserve our utmost
6 respect for their dedication and bravery; now, therefore, be it

7 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 82nd Texas
8 Legislature hereby commend the Patriot Guard Riders of South Texas
9 for outstanding service in behalf of U.S. military personnel and
10 their families and extend to all involved best wishes for continued
11 success with their important work; and, be it further

12 RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be
13 prepared for the Patriot Guard Riders of South Texas as an
14 expression of high regard by the Texas House of Representatives.