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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 Staff Sergeant Chauncy Ryan Mays of Cookville,
3 who died in Afghanistan on February 28, 2011, at the age of 25; and

4 WHEREAS, Staff Sergeant Mays bravely served his country with
5 the 705th Explosive Ordnance Disposal Company, and his actions
6 earned him the Bronze Star Medal with two oak leaf clusters, the
7 Purple Heart, and the National Defense Service Medal; over the
8 course of his distinguished service, he was respected and admired
9 by his fellow soldiers as a mentor and true friend; and

10 WHEREAS, Born on December 7, 1985, Chauncy Mays graduated
11 from Chapel Hill High School in 2004; devoted to his family, he
12 enjoyed a rewarding marriage with his wife, Kathryn, and he was a
13 loving father to his daughters, Chesnee and Kiley; and

14 WHEREAS, Americans owe a profound debt to our nation's
15 servicemen and servicewomen, whose courageous efforts and enormous
16 sacrifices are deserving of their fellow citizens' deepest respect
17 and gratitude; through his unwavering dedication to duty and honor,
18 Chauncy Mays embodied the highest ideals of the United States Army,
19 and memories of his love and friendship will be forever cherished by
20 all those who held him dear; now, therefore, be it

21 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 82nd Texas
22 Legislature hereby pay tribute to the memory of U.S. Army Staff
23 Sergeant Chauncy Ryan Mays and extend deepest sympathy to the
24 members of his family: to his wife, Kathryn Mays; to his daughters,

1 Chesnee and Kiley Mays; to his mother, Allyson Dawn Rodgers; to his
2 father, Tommy Pierce Mays; and to his other relatives and many
3 friends; and, be it further

4 RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be
5 prepared for his family and that when the Texas House of
6 Representatives adjourns this day, it do so in memory of U.S. Army
7 Staff Sergeant Chauncy Ryan Mays.