

R E S O L U T I O N

1 WHEREAS, The family and friends of U.S. Army First Lieutenant
2 Robert Forrest Welch III of Denton suffered an immeasurable loss
3 with the death of this valiant soldier on April 3, 2011, at the age
4 of 26; and

5 WHEREAS, Assigned to the 201st Brigade Support Battalion, 3rd
6 Brigade Combat Team, 1st Infantry Division, Lieutenant Welch was
7 killed while serving his country in Afghanistan; and

8 WHEREAS, Born on October 30, 1984, to Robert and Barbara
9 Welch, Robby Welch grew up in Wylie, where he played football,
10 participated in Junior ROTC, and served as a leader in his church
11 youth group; after graduating from the local high school in 2003, he
12 earned his bachelor's degree in military science from The
13 University of Texas at Arlington; and

14 WHEREAS, He was commissioned as a second lieutenant in 2008,
15 and his skill and dedication to duty earned him many honors,
16 including the Army Achievement Medal, the National Defense Service
17 Medal, the Bronze Star, and the Purple Heart; and

18 WHEREAS, In all of his endeavors, Robby Welch was blessed
19 with the support of a loving family, which included his wife, Becky,
20 his son, Robert, and his nephew, Aaden; and

21 WHEREAS, Through his unwavering dedication to duty and honor,
22 Lieutenant Welch embodied the highest ideals of the United States
23 armed forces, and his fellow citizens owe him a debt of gratitude
24 that the passage of time can never diminish; now, therefore, be it

1 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 82nd Texas
2 Legislature hereby pay tribute to the life of U.S. Army First
3 Lieutenant Robert Forrest Welch III and extend deepest sympathy to
4 the members of his family: to his wife, Becky Welch; to his son,
5 Robert Welch IV; to his nephew, Aaden Vann; to his parents, Robert
6 Welch II and Barbara Welch; to his sister, Jane Welch; to his
7 grandmother, Margarete Westenburg; and to his other relatives and
8 many friends; and, be it further

9 RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be
10 prepared for his family and that when the Texas House of
11 Representatives adjourns this day, it do so in memory of First
12 Lieutenant Robert Forrest Welch III.

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Beck	Harper-Brown	Patrick
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H.R. No. 1800

Speaker of the House

I certify that H.R. No. 1800 was unanimously adopted by a rising vote of the House on May 19, 2011.

Chief Clerk of the House