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R E S O L U T I O N

1 WHEREAS, The family and friends of U.S. Army Specialist
2 Andrew J. Roughton of Houston suffered an immeasurable loss with
3 the death of this valiant soldier on July 20, 2009, at the age of 21;
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5 WHEREAS, Assigned to the 4th Battalion, 25th Field Artillery
6 (Strike), 3rd Brigade Combat Team, 10th Mountain Division (Light
7 Infantry), Specialist Roughton was mortally wounded in an enemy
8 attack while serving in Operation Enduring Freedom in Maydan Shahr,
9 Afghanistan; and

10 WHEREAS, The son of Mark and Karen Roughton, Andrew Roughton
11 was born on March 16, 1988; he graduated from Spring Woods High
12 School in 2006 and was awarded a scholarship to Trinity Valley
13 Community College; he began a career in the military and became a
14 field artillery automated tactical data systems specialist,
15 serving as the gunner in an artillery unit Humvee; his decorations
16 included the Army Achievement Medal, National Defense Service
17 Medal, and Afghanistan Campaign Medal with Campaign Star; and

18 WHEREAS, A friendly, generous man with a delightfully quirky
19 sense of humor, Andrew Roughton endeared himself to countless
20 people; he served his country with pride and honor, and although his
21 passing has left a void in the lives of his loved ones, they will
22 forever carry memories of this heroic young man close in their
23 hearts; now, therefore, be it

24 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 82nd Texas

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1 Legislature hereby pay tribute to the life of U.S. Army Specialist
2 Andrew J. Roughton and extend sincere condolences to the members of
3 his family: to his wife, Heather Roughton; to his father, Mark
4 Roughton; to his grandfather, Curtis Roughton, Sr.; to his
5 grandmother, Billie Berecky; to his uncle, Curtis Roughton, Jr.; to
6 his stepbrother, Marcus Carpenter; and to his many other relatives
7 and friends; and, be it further

8 RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be
9 prepared for his family and that when the Texas House of
10 Representatives adjourns this day, it do so in memory of U.S. Army
11 Specialist Andrew J. Roughton.