## SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 503

WHEREAS, The Senate of the State of Texas is pleased to recognize the Patriot Guard Riders for their exemplary efforts in support of the families of veterans and active-duty military members who have lost a loved one; and

WHEREAS, Founded in response to protests at the funerals of fallen American service members, the Patriot Guard Riders are a group of citizens from across the nation whose respect for the sacrifices made by the men and women of our military and their families inspires and compels them to stand with those families as they mourn those who have given the last full measure of devotion to their country; and

WHEREAS, This dedicated nonprofit organization provides, at the request of the bereaved family, a motorcycle honor guard to pay tribute to the honored memory of our nation's veterans and to shield mourners from the potential disruption of protestors; and

WHEREAS, This inspirational alliance of people of all political persuasions embodies the American ideals of patriotism and compassion, and its members are truly deserving of recognition for their loyal dedication to service; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That the Senate of the State of Texas, 82nd Legislature, hereby commend the Patriot Guard Riders on their commitment to supporting the families of the nation's service members and veterans and extend to them best wishes for continued success in all their future endeavors; and, be it further

RESOLVED, That a copy of this Resolution be prepared for this outstanding organization as an expression of high regard from the Texas Senate.

Patrick

President of the Senate

I hereby certify that the above Resolution was adopted by the Senate on March 14, 2011.

Secretary of the Senate

Member, Texas Senate