## RESOLUTION

- 1 WHEREAS, The friends and family of U.S. Army Specialist
- 2 Michael C. Roberts of Watauga suffered an immeasurable loss with
- 3 the death of this exemplary soldier on August 27, 2011, at the age
- 4 of 23; and
- 5 WHEREAS, Specialist Roberts was killed in Afghanistan while
- 6 bravely serving his country as a member of the 561st Military Police
- 7 Company, 716th Military Police Battalion, 101st Sustainment
- 8 Brigade; over the course of his distinguished military career, this
- 9 courageous young Texan also served in Iraq, and he earned a number
- 10 of honors, including the Bronze Star, Purple Heart, and NATO medal;
- 11 and
- WHEREAS, Born on November 24, 1987, to Dave and Kathy
- 13 Roberts, Michael Roberts graduated from Richland High School, where
- 14 he was a varsity wrestler and member of the marching and concert
- 15 bands; he went on to attend the University of North Texas before
- 16 joining the army in 2007; and
- 17 WHEREAS, Michael Roberts was known for his kindness and his
- 18 warm smile; in addition to spending time with his brothers, Patrick
- 19 and Brian, he enjoyed fishing and camping; and
- WHEREAS, Our state and nation are fortunate to have men and
- 21 women whose love for their country inspires them to take up military
- 22 service, yet the tragic death of this young Texan is a sobering
- 23 reminder of the cost of war; Specialist Roberts was a brave and
- 24 dedicated soldier, and his fellow citizens owe him an eternal debt

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- 1 of gratitude for his valor and sacrifice; now, therefore, be it
- 2 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 83rd Texas
- 3 Legislature, 1st Called Session, hereby pay tribute to the life of
- 4 U.S. Army Specialist Michael C. Roberts and extend sincere
- 5 sympathy to his parents, David and Kathy Roberts; to his brothers,
- 6 Patrick Roberts and his wife, Brittany, and Brian Roberts; to his
- 7 "nephew dog," Cooper Roberts; to his grandmothers, Mary Jane Ryan
- 8 and Martha Roberts; and to his other relatives and many friends;
- 9 and, be it further
- 10 RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be
- 11 prepared for his family and that when the Texas House of
- 12 Representatives adjourns this day, it do so in memory of U.S. Army
- 13 Specialist Michael C. Roberts.

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Speaker of the House

I certify that H.R. No. 4 was unanimously adopted by a rising vote of the House on June 25, 2013.

Chief Clerk of the House