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By: Menendez

CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

1 WHEREAS, Words cannot express the heartache felt at the loss 2 of U.S. Marine Corps Lance Corporal John F. Farias of New Braunfels, 3 who died while bravely serving his country on June 28, 2011, at the 4 age of 20; and

5 WHEREAS, Assigned to the 1st Battalion, 5th Marine Regiment, 6 1st Marine Division, I Marine Expeditionary Force, Camp Pendleton, 7 California, Lance Corporal Farias lost his life in Helmand 8 Province, Afghanistan; and

9 WHEREAS, Americans owe a profound debt of gratitude to this 10 nation's servicemen and servicewomen, who make immeasurable 11 sacrifices for their country and who risk their very lives in its 12 behalf; and

WHEREAS, Exemplifying the highest ideals of the U.S. armed forces, John F. Farias inspired others with his fortitude, tenacity, and courage; although his death leaves a void in the lives of his loved ones, they will forever carry memories of this heroic Texan close in their hearts; now, therefore, be it

18 RESOLVED, That the 83rd Legislature of the State of Texas 19 hereby pay tribute to the life of Lance Corporal John F. Farias and 20 extend sincere sympathy to all those who mourn his passing; and, be 21 it further

RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be prepared for his family and that when the Texas House of Representatives and Senate adjourn this day, they do so in memory of

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1 U.S. Marine Corps Lance Corporal John F. Farias.