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H.C.R. No. 146

CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

1 WHEREAS, Words cannot express the heartache felt at the loss
2 of U.S. Army Specialist Kurt W. Kern of McAllen, who died while
3 bravely serving his country on December 27, 2011, at the age of 24;
4 and

5 WHEREAS, Assigned to the 720th Military Police Battalion,
6 89th Military Police Brigade, Fort Hood, Texas, Specialist Kern
7 lost his life in Paktia Province, Afghanistan; and

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

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

17 RESOLVED, That the 83rd Legislature of the State of Texas
18 hereby pay tribute to the life of Specialist Kurt W. Kern and extend
19 sincere sympathy to all those who mourn his passing; and, be it
20 further

21 RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be
22 prepared for his family and that when the Texas House of
23 Representatives and Senate adjourn this day, they do so in memory of
24 U.S. Army Specialist Kurt W. Kern.