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CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

1 WHEREAS, Words cannot express the heartache felt at the loss
2 of U.S. Marine Corps Lance Corporal Benjamin W. Schmidt of San
3 Antonio, who died while bravely serving his country on October 6,
4 2011, at the age of 24; and

5 WHEREAS, Assigned to the 2nd Battalion, 4th Marine Regiment,
6 1st Marine Division, I Marine Expeditionary Force, Camp Pendleton,
7 California, Lance Corporal Schmidt 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

13 WHEREAS, Exemplifying the highest ideals of the U.S. armed
14 forces, Benjamin W. Schmidt inspired others with his fortitude,
15 tenacity, and courage; although his death leaves a void in the lives
16 of his loved ones, they will forever carry memories of this heroic
17 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 Benjamin W. Schmidt
20 and extend sincere sympathy to all those who mourn his passing; and,
21 be it further

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

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1 U.S. Marine Corps Lance Corporal Benjamin W. Schmidt.