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H.C.R. No. 174

CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

1           WHEREAS, Words cannot express the heartache felt at the loss  
2 of U.S. Navy Petty Officer Second Class Jorge Luis Velasquez of  
3 Houston, who died while bravely serving his country on May 13, 2012,  
4 at the age of 35; and

5           WHEREAS, Assigned to Commander, Task Force (CTF) 56, Petty  
6 Officer Second Class Velasquez passed away in Manama, Bahrain; and

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

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

16           RESOLVED, That the 83rd Legislature of the State of Texas  
17 hereby pay tribute to the life of Petty Officer Second Class Jorge  
18 Luis Velasquez and extend sincere sympathy to all those who mourn  
19 his passing; and, be it further

20           RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be  
21 prepared for his family and that when the Texas House of  
22 Representatives and Senate adjourn this day, they do so in memory of  
23 U.S. Navy Petty Officer Second Class Jorge Luis Velasquez.

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