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## RESOLUTION

- 1 WHEREAS, U.S. Navy Lieutenant Raul David Jimenez, who died
- 2 during a training mission on January 27, 2006, at the age of 31, was
- 3 posthumously inducted into the Brazosport Independent School
- 4 District Wall of Fame in 2012 for his admirable service to his
- 5 country and his community; and
- 6 WHEREAS, A standout student at Brazosport High School in
- 7 Freeport, David Jimenez participated in student council and in
- 8 band, played baseball, and in his position at cornerback, helped
- 9 the football team to win a bi-district title in 1992; he graduated
- 10 seventh in his class in 1993, earning scholarships for his athletic
- 11 and academic abilities, and then attended the United States Naval
- 12 Academy, where he received a bachelor's degree in aerospace
- 13 engineering; after flight training in Pensacola, Florida, he
- 14 achieved a lifelong dream when he was awarded the golden wings of a
- 15 naval aviator; and
- 16 WHEREAS, Lieutenant Jimenez deployed for service as a
- 17 helicopter pilot in both Operation Enduring Freedom and Operation
- 18 Iraqi Freedom; repeatedly recognized for his efforts, he received
- 19 the Navy and Marine Corps Commendation Medal, the Navy and Marine
- 20 Corps Achievement Medal, and the Global War on Terrorism Service
- 21 and Expeditionary Medals, as well as numerous letters of
- 22 commendation; and
- 23 WHEREAS, This outstanding officer returned regularly to the
- 24 Brazoria County area to see family, and during those occasions, he

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- 1 would take time to visit Brazosport schools and encourage students
- 2 to study hard and plan for the future; and
- 3 WHEREAS, At his passing, Lieutenant Jimenez left behind loved
- 4 ones that included his wife, Ana Laura Jimenez, whom he married in
- 5 2004, his mother and stepfather, Elva and R. J. Verrett, and his
- 6 sister, Debbie Jimenez; and
- WHEREAS, Although Lieutenant David Jimenez is deeply missed,
- 8 memories of his bravery, resolve, and generosity endure in the
- 9 hearts of all who knew him, and this recognition from Brazosport ISD
- 10 serves as a lasting reminder of the meaningful accomplishments he
- 11 realized in the course of his years on this earth; now, therefore,
- 12 be it
- RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 83rd Texas
- 14 Legislature hereby pay tribute to the life of U.S. Navy Lieutenant
- 15 Raul David Jimenez and commemorate his induction into the
- 16 Brazosport Independent School District Wall of Fame; and, be it
- 17 further
- 18 RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be
- 19 prepared for the members of his family and that when the Texas House
- 20 of Representatives adjourns this day, it do so in memory of
- 21 Lieutenant Raul David Jimenez.

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Speaker of the House

I certify that H.R. No. 1209 was unanimously adopted by a rising vote of the House on April 17, 2013.

Chief Clerk of the House