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R E S O L U T I O N

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

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

7 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

13 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.