

SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 68

WHEREAS, The Senate of the State of Texas is pleased to recognize and pay tribute to the members of the United States military who have so honorably served our great nation and state in the armed services and join all Texans in observing January 30, 2013, as Wounded Warrior Day at the Texas State Capitol; and

WHEREAS, The soldiers, sailors, airmen, and Marines of the United States military and their families have made extraordinary sacrifices to serve our nation both abroad and within our own borders; and

WHEREAS, Today we honor wounded warriors from across the nation, including Specialist Cody Miller, Sergeant Paul Roberts, Chief Warrant Officer 4 Jerry Hamilton, Lance Corporal Ivan Sears, Staff Sergeant Mark Juarez, and Staff Sergeant Tracie M. Harris; without their willingness to serve and the contributions made by them and by their families, we could not enjoy many of the freedoms that make this nation great; and

WHEREAS, These veterans have bravely and selflessly served in defense of our nation and its democratic ideals; with silent dedication and unmatched grit, they ensure our safety and security, and it is indeed fitting that all Texans recognize, honor, and reaffirm their gratitude to these true American heroes; and

WHEREAS, Although these veterans represent many different hometowns and backgrounds, what unites them is greater than what divides them--a deep and abiding love of their country; it is for America and all Americans that they leave their homes and their family and friends in order to guarantee the continuation of those freedoms etched into the Declaration of Independence and ensured by our Constitution; and

WHEREAS, It is for our service members' willingness to serve to protect these freedoms that we honor them; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That the Senate of the State of Texas, 83rd Legislature, hereby commend the wounded warriors of our nation for their sacrifice, dedication, and patriotism, recognizing them, honoring them, and reaffirming the gratitude of all Texans to these true American heroes; and, be it further

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RESOLVED, That a copy of this Resolution be prepared in honor of the dedication and sacrifice of the men and women of the United States armed services and their families.

Van de Putte

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Carona	Hinojosa	Seliger
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Dewhurst, President of the Senate

President of the Senate

I hereby certify that the above Resolution was adopted by the Senate on January 30, 2013, by a rising vote.

Secretary of the Senate

Member, Texas Senate