

SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 749

In Memory
of
Alex Hernandez III

WHEREAS, The friends and family of United States Army Specialist Alex Hernandez III suffered an immeasurable loss with the death of this valiant soldier, who passed away in Kandahar, Afghanistan, on May 12, 2012, at the age of 21; and

WHEREAS, Assigned to the 3rd Battalion, 25th Aviation Regiment, 25th Combat Aviation Brigade, 25th Infantry Division, Specialist Hernandez was based at Wheeler Army Airfield in Hawaii and served as a door gunner; and

WHEREAS, Specialist Hernandez joined the army in July 2009 and completed basic training at Fort Sill, Oklahoma; he initially served as a test equipment operator; among the awards conferred on him were the National Defense Service Medal, the Afghanistan Campaign Medal, the Global War on Terrorism Medal, and the Aviator Badge; and

WHEREAS, A graduate of Lanier High School in Austin, Specialist Hernandez began his education in Bastrop; he was joined in matrimony to a fellow soldier, Tyasia Pompy Hernandez; big-hearted and fun-loving, he adored his younger siblings and was a devoted son; it delighted him to make others smile, and his jokes, big grin, and infectious laugh brought joy to innumerable people; and

WHEREAS, Our state and nation are fortunate to have young men and women whose love of country leads them to military duty, and time can never diminish the profound debt that Americans owe to Alex Hernandez for the service he undertook; although he is

deeply missed, memories of precious moments spent in his company remain to comfort those who were privileged to share in the richness of his life; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That the Senate of the State of Texas, 83rd Legislature, hereby pay tribute to the memory of United States Army Specialist Alex Hernandez III and extend sincere condolences to the members of his family: to his wife, Tyasia Pompy Hernandez; to his mother, Traci Ortiz; to his father, Alex Hernandez, Jr.; and to his many other relatives and friends; and, be it further

RESOLVED, That an official copy of this Resolution be prepared for his family and that when the Texas Senate adjourns this day, it do so in memory of United States Army Specialist Alex Hernandez III.

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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 April 23, 2013.

Secretary of the Senate

Member, Texas Senate