

R E S O L U T I O N

1           WHEREAS, Jim Davenport, Jimmy Marquez, and Alan Johnson of  
2 Student Veteran Services at the University of North Texas have  
3 demonstrated remarkable skill and exemplary commitment in serving  
4 military veterans who are attending the university; and

5           WHEREAS, Student Veteran Services helps individuals who have  
6 served in the U.S. armed forces make a seamless transition to  
7 college life, earn a degree, and establish themselves in their  
8 chosen field; the office offers such programs as individual and  
9 group counseling, the SALUTE Veterans National Honor Society for  
10 student veterans, and training sessions to increase faculty and  
11 staff understanding of issues that veterans face and ways in which  
12 they can assist in veterans' academic and professional development;  
13 the office also sponsors an annual Veterans Day celebration on  
14 campus; and

15           WHEREAS, These three members of Student Veteran Services are  
16 uniquely knowledgeable about veterans' experiences by virtue of  
17 their own military service; Mr. Davenport and Mr. Marquez were both  
18 staff sergeants in the U.S. Army, where they served for 20 years and  
19 13 years, respectively; Mr. Davenport worked with various units,  
20 while Mr. Marquez served with the Regimental Special Troops  
21 Battalion, 75th Ranger Regiment; Mr. Johnson, a four-year army  
22 veteran, served as a specialist in the 1st Battalion, 325th  
23 Airborne Infantry Regiment, 82nd Airborne Division; and

24           WHEREAS, By connecting veterans and their families with

1 invaluable resources and by offering critical moral support, this  
2 trio of dedicated staff members is helping a vital segment of the  
3 student population at UNT to thrive in the college environment and  
4 to prepare for the challenges and opportunities that lie ahead;  
5 now, therefore, be it

6         RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 85th Texas  
7 Legislature hereby commend Jim Davenport, Jimmy Marquez, and Alan  
8 Johnson for their work with Student Veteran Services at the  
9 University of North Texas and extend to them sincere best wishes for  
10 continued success in their important endeavors; and, be it further

11         RESOLVED, That official copies of this resolution be prepared  
12 for Mr. Davenport, Mr. Marquez, and Mr. Johnson as an expression of  
13 high regard by the Texas House of Representatives.

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H.R. No. 977

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Speaker of the House

I certify that H.R. No. 977 was adopted by the House on March 30, 2017, by a non-record vote.

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Chief Clerk of the House