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R E S O L U T I O N

1 WHEREAS, Samuel Askins of Houston has distinguished himself
2 through his exemplary service to our nation and to his fellow
3 veterans; and

4 WHEREAS, Mr. Askins was an airborne infantryman in the
5 U.S. Army and an instructor in a drill sergeant unit during a tour
6 of duty in Iraq; he received the Combat Infantryman's Badge in
7 recognition of his service in Baghdad in 2004 and 2005; and

8 WHEREAS, Following his military discharge, Mr. Askins was
9 treated for post-traumatic stress disorder; he has since devoted
10 his time to assisting other combat veterans who have struggled with
11 putting their lives back together after returning from the
12 battlefield; he was instrumental in the establishment of Camp Hope,
13 an organization that provides interim housing and peer support for
14 veterans suffering from PTSD, and he currently serves as the
15 facility's director of Texas outreach; and

16 WHEREAS, Samuel Askins is helping to provide a caring and
17 positive environment for those healing from the invisible wounds of
18 war, and he may indeed reflect with pride on his contributions to
19 his fellow veterans and their families; now, therefore, be it

20 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 86th Texas
21 Legislature hereby honor Samuel Askins for his outstanding service
22 at Camp Hope and extend to him sincere best wishes for the future;
23 and, be it further

24 RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be

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1 prepared for Mr. Askins as an expression of high regard by the Texas
2 House of Representatives.