

HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

1 WHEREAS, A life made rich through meaningful service drew to
2 a close with the passing of Fire Chief Curtis Dewayne Brown of the
3 Dalhart Fire Department on October 4, 2022, at the age of 51; and

4 WHEREAS, The son of Richard Brown and Linda Miller, Curtis
5 Brown was born in Dalhart on July 12, 1971; he grew up in Haven,
6 Kansas, with the companionship of two siblings, Paul and Billy, and
7 he graduated from Haven High School in 1989; and

8 WHEREAS, After returning to Texas, Mr. Brown joined the
9 Dalhart Fire Department, and he was promoted to captain in his first
10 year; he was later named fire chief, and over the course of his
11 nearly three decades with the agency, he earned certification as a
12 master firefighter and emergency care attendant; he also served as
13 the City of Dalhart Fire Marshal for 17 years, and he was an
14 instructor at the world's largest live fire training facility, TEEEX
15 Brayton Fire Training Field, for 10 years; he further distinguished
16 himself as a member of Hartley Fire and EMS; among his many honors,
17 he was named the 2016 Firefighter of the Year by the Panhandle
18 Firefighters' and Fire Marshals' Association and the State
19 Firefighters' and Fire Marshals' Association of Texas; and

20 WHEREAS, Dedicated to his profession, Mr. Brown held
21 leadership positions with both the Panhandle and State
22 Firefighters' and Fire Marshals' Associations; he further
23 contributed to his community through his service with the Rotary
24 Club, the Coffee Memorial Blood Center board, and the Brother's

1 Keepers Motorcycle Club Chapter 42; he also coached in local
2 softball and baseball leagues, taught area youth fire safety
3 skills, and assisted with search and rescue efforts; and

4 WHEREAS, In all his endeavors, Mr. Brown enjoyed the love and
5 support of his wife, DeNisa, and he took great pride in his five
6 children, Hannah, Dustin, Amber, Janice, and Jordan, and his eight
7 grandchildren; in his leisure hours, he liked to listen to music and
8 ride four-wheelers, all-terrain vehicles, and motorcycles; and

9 WHEREAS, Admired for his leadership, generosity, and
10 delightful sense of humor, Curtis Brown devoted himself to
11 protecting his fellow citizens and improving his community, and he
12 leaves behind a record of service that his loved ones can remember
13 with pride; now, therefore, be it

14 RESOLVED, That the 88th Legislature of the State of Texas
15 hereby pay tribute to the memory of Fire Chief Curtis Dewayne Brown
16 and extend heartfelt sympathy to all who mourn his passing; and, be
17 it further

18 RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be
19 prepared for his family and that when the Texas House of
20 Representatives and Senate adjourn this day, they do so in memory of
21 Curtis Brown.

Smithee

President of the Senate

Speaker of the House

I certify that H.C.R. No. 102 was unanimously adopted by a rising vote of the House on April 5, 2023.

Chief Clerk of the House

I certify that H.C.R. No. 102 was unanimously adopted by a rising vote of the Senate on April 6, 2023.

Secretary of the Senate

APPROVED: _____

Date

Governor