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S.R. No. 500

R E S O L U T I O N

1 WHEREAS, Words cannot fully express the sorrow felt at the
2 loss of Dawson County Deputy Jessie Ray Perez, who died in the line
3 of duty on April 22, 2025, at the age of 42; and

4 WHEREAS, The son of Florenzio and Gracie Perez, Jessie Perez
5 was born in Richmond on January 24, 1983, and he grew up with the
6 companionship of three siblings, Julian, Bobby, and Rosalinda; and

7 WHEREAS, At the time of his death, Deputy Perez had served for
8 eight months with the Dawson County Sheriff's Office; he brought a
9 wealth of knowledge to that role, drawing on his expertise as a
10 longtime member of the O'Donnell Volunteer Fire Department and his
11 service with the Lynn County EMS team and other emergency medical
12 services departments; he was also a member of the O'Donnell City
13 Council; admired for his integrity, courage, and unwavering sense
14 of duty, Deputy Perez earned the respect of his colleagues and
15 fellow West Texas citizens alike, and his tragic death has inspired
16 an outpouring of prayers, sympathy, and support from the community;
17 and

18 WHEREAS, Above all, Deputy Perez treasured time spent with
19 his family; he was a devoted husband to his wife of 13 years, Linda
20 Sue, and he took great pride in his four children, Mackenzie, Zoey,
21 Shelby, and Fabian, and his grandson, Zephaniah; and

22 WHEREAS, Beloved for his kindness, generosity, and keen sense
23 of humor, Jessie Perez was a compassionate and caring first
24 responder who embodied the highest ideals of his profession, and he

1 leaves behind a legacy of service that will long be treasured by all
2 those who held him dear; now, therefore, be it

3 RESOLVED, That the Senate of the 89th Texas Legislature
4 hereby pay tribute to the life of Deputy Jessie Ray Perez and extend
5 deepest condolences to the members of his family: to his wife, Linda
6 Sue Perez; to his children, Mackenzie Perez, Zoey Vargas, Shelby
7 Vargas and her husband, Branson, and Fabian Vargas; to his
8 grandson, Zephaniah Vargas; to his mother, Gracie Perez; to his
9 siblings, Julian Gutierrez and his wife, Miranda, Bobby Perez, and
10 Rosalinda Johnson and her husband, Demond; and to his many other
11 relatives and friends; and, be it further

12 RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be
13 prepared for his family and that when the Texas Senate adjourns this
14 day, it do so in memory of Deputy Jessie Perez.