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R E S O L U T I O N

1           WHEREAS, The passing of Detective Don Palmer of Liberty on  
2 April 18, 2004, at the age of 58, deeply saddened the family and  
3 friends of this esteemed peace officer; and

4           WHEREAS, A 36-year Texas law enforcement veteran, Officer  
5 Palmer served 28 of those years in the narcotics division of the  
6 Texas Department of Public Safety and retired as a lieutenant in  
7 1996; a month later, he joined the Liberty Police Department as a  
8 detective commanding the Chambers-Liberty Counties Narcotic Force;  
9 and

10           WHEREAS, This distinguished officer, whose advice was  
11 regularly sought by rookies and veterans alike, performed in myriad  
12 roles and garnered expertise in all aspects of police work as  
13 patrol and undercover officer, detective, trainer, supervisor, and  
14 administrator; throughout his career, Detective Palmer served his  
15 fellow Texans with integrity and dedication, earning the respect  
16 and admiration of law enforcement officials across Southwest  
17 Texas; and

18           WHEREAS, In addition to being an exemplary peace officer, he  
19 was also a devoted family man who deeply loved his wife, Retha; his  
20 family may take great pride in his legacy of public service, which  
21 will continue to benefit his fellow Texans for many years to come,  
22 and they may be comforted in the knowledge that his memory will not  
23 soon be forgotten; now, therefore, be it

24           RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 78th Texas

1 Legislature, 4th Called Session, hereby pay tribute to the life of  
2 Detective Don Palmer and extend deepest sympathy to the members of  
3 his family: to his beloved wife, Retha Palmer; to his daughter,  
4 Christie McBride; to his granddaughter, Jaydan Barragan; and to his  
5 other relatives and numerous friends; and, be it further

6       RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be  
7 prepared for his family and that when the Texas House of  
8 Representatives adjourns this day, it do so in memory of Detective  
9 Don Palmer of Liberty.