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H.R. No. 96

R E S O L U T I O N

1 WHEREAS, The Lone Star State lost one of its beloved police
2 officers when Houston County Sheriff's Deputy Bobby Franks was
3 killed in the line of duty on December 23, 2002; and

4 WHEREAS, A man of tremendous integrity whose strong sense of
5 duty reflected a deep commitment to the welfare of others, Officer
6 Franks exemplified the highest standards of his profession
7 throughout his career in law enforcement; and

8 WHEREAS, Officer Franks served for three years with the
9 Crockett Police Department before embarking on a 15-year tenure
10 with the Houston County Sheriff's Department; a consummate peace
11 officer, he earned the respect and admiration of his colleagues
12 throughout the state; and

13 WHEREAS, In recognition of his distinguished service, fellow
14 deputies honored Officer Franks by naming him the 2001 Deputy of the
15 Year; then, in February 2002, he was named Employee of the Month;
16 and

17 WHEREAS, Officer Franks dedicated himself to protecting his
18 fellow citizens and in doing so made a lasting impression on his
19 community; although his death is widely mourned, his memory and
20 influence will long endure in the lives he deeply touched; now,
21 therefore, be it

22 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 78th Texas
23 Legislature hereby honor the memory of Deputy Bobby Franks and
24 extend sincere sympathy to the members of his family: to his wife,

1 Evelyn Stowe Franks; to his daughter, Cynthia Yahr, and her
2 husband, Dewit; to his sons, Jason Stowe and Rusty Smith; to his
3 stepsons, Steven Johnson, Richard Dale Johnson, and Calvin Johnson;
4 to his grandchildren; and to his other relatives and many friends;
5 and, be it further

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