

By: Wolens

H.R. No. 623

R E S O L U T I O N

1           WHEREAS, Dallas firefighter Michael Lee Depauw, died in the  
2 line of duty on December 3, 2002, at the age of 51, and the tragic  
3 passing of this heroic individual has deeply saddened the community  
4 he served and all who were privileged to know him; and

5           WHEREAS, Captain Depauw exemplified, in his personal and  
6 professional conduct, the singular virtues of courage, integrity,  
7 and unwavering dedication; and

8           WHEREAS, When not serving with the Dallas Fire Department, he  
9 was a contractor and builder; he derived great joy from helping  
10 others and no doubt made an immeasurable difference in the lives of  
11 many; and

12           WHEREAS, Throughout his 30 years with the Dallas Fire  
13 Department, Captain Depauw established a record of meritorious  
14 service, loyalty, personal courage, and self-sacrifice consistent  
15 with the highest ideals of the fire-fighting profession; and

16           WHEREAS, Michael Depauw was a passionate defender of life and  
17 property, and while he will be greatly missed, the legacy of  
18 integrity and bravery he leaves behind will not soon be forgotten;  
19 now, therefore, be it

20           RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 78th Texas  
21 Legislature hereby honor the life of Michael Lee Depauw and extend  
22 sincere sympathy to his family: to his wife, Sharon; to his sons,  
23 Scott and Chris; to his daughters, Katie and Jill; and to his many  
24 friends and relatives; and, be it further

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1           RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be  
2 prepared for the members of his family and that when the Texas House  
3 of Representatives adjourns this day, it do so in memory of Michael  
4 Lee Depauw.