

HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

1           WHEREAS, Eleven-year-old Dereck Hatley of Sulphur Springs is  
2 a courageous young man who rescued his four-year-old friend,  
3 Anthony Daley, from a vicious dog attack on July 16, 2005; and

4           WHEREAS, Dereck and Anthony had been playing with a friendly  
5 dog when a stray pit bull came upon them; when Anthony began to run,  
6 the pit bull pulled the young boy to the ground and began biting  
7 him; and

8           WHEREAS, Putting himself directly in harm's way, Dereck ran  
9 to the aid of his friend and kicked the dog until it released  
10 Anthony; quickly grabbing his friend, he ran to safety, carrying  
11 the boy while the two were still being pursued by the attacking dog;  
12 and

13           WHEREAS, Through his actions, Dereck Hatley enabled his  
14 friend to escape this harrowing incident without life-threatening  
15 or permanent injuries, and the brave and swift response of this  
16 remarkable young man has earned him the admiration and appreciation  
17 of a grateful community; now, therefore, be it

18           RESOLVED, That the 79th Legislature of the State of Texas,  
19 2nd Called Session, hereby honor Dereck Hatley for his exceptional  
20 act of heroism and commend him for the maturity and composure he  
21 demonstrated in an emergency situation; and, be it further

22           RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be  
23 prepared for Mr. Hatley as an expression of high regard by the Texas  
24 House of Representatives and Senate.

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President of the Senate

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Speaker of the House

I certify that H.C.R. No. 16 was adopted by the House on August 11, 2005, by a non-record vote.

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Chief Clerk of the House

I certify that H.C.R. No. 16 was adopted by the Senate on August 15, 2005, by a viva-voce vote.

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Secretary of the Senate

APPROVED: \_\_\_\_\_

Date

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Governor