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R E S O L U T I O N

1 WHEREAS, Senior Patrol Agent Ryan Massey of Del Rio was
2 awarded the highest medal of valor bestowed by U.S. Customs and
3 Border Protection on January 7, 2005; and

4 WHEREAS, Agent Massey received the Meritorious Service Award
5 for Valor for his heroic actions on the evening of March 14, 2004,
6 when his Border Patrol Search, Trauma, and Rescue unit received a
7 call from the Uvalde County Sheriff's Office; six travelers in a car
8 had been swept into the flooding waters of Blanco Creek, and four
9 members of the party were missing; and

10 WHEREAS, After receiving word from troopers who had spotted a
11 woman and three children clinging to a tree in the middle of the
12 rising waters, Agent Massey quickly tied a line from shore to hooks
13 clipped to his vest and entered the rough waters upstream of the
14 victims; he allowed the current to carry him to the victims'
15 location, where he proceeded to ferry the woman and children, one by
16 one, to safety on solid ground; and

17 WHEREAS, Those individuals who place themselves in harm's way
18 to protect their fellow Texans are truly deserving of our deepest
19 admiration and gratitude, and Agent Ryan Massey indeed merits
20 special recognition for his continued readiness to meet the most
21 challenging crisis head on; now, therefore, be it

22 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 79th Texas
23 Legislature hereby congratulate Senior Patrol Agent Ryan Massey on
24 his receipt of the Meritorious Service Award for Valor from U.S.

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1 Customs and Border Protection and commend him for his remarkable
2 heroism; and, be it further

3 RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be
4 prepared for Agent Massey as an expression of high regard by the
5 Texas House of Representatives.