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R E S O L U T I O N

1           WHEREAS, Those Texans who demonstrate great courage in  
2 emergency situations are truly deserving of our admiration and  
3 gratitude, and Officer Jaime Esparza of the El Paso Police  
4 Department is one such individual; and

5           WHEREAS, While on patrol on the morning of August 9, 2004,  
6 Officer Esparza witnessed a head-on collision between a compact car  
7 and a recreational vehicle that caused the larger vehicle to burst  
8 into flames; and

9           WHEREAS, At great risk to his own safety, Officer Esparza  
10 returned to the burning wreck repeatedly, breaking windows and  
11 using fire extinguishers from other vehicles in his attempts to  
12 secure the safety of the trapped passengers and sustaining cuts,  
13 abrasions, and smoke inhalation in the process; and

14           WHEREAS, This exceptional act of heroism saved the lives of  
15 numerous people, and in acting as he did, Officer Esparza  
16 distinguished himself as a remarkable member of the law enforcement  
17 community and earned recognition from the El Paso Area Chapter of  
18 the American Red Cross; now, therefore, be it

19           RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 79th Texas  
20 Legislature hereby honor Officer Jaime Esparza of the El Paso  
21 Police Department for his heroism and extend to him sincere best  
22 wishes for the future; and, be it further

23           RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be  
24 prepared for Officer Esparza as an expression of high regard by the

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1 Texas House of Representatives.