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## RESOLUTION

- 1 WHEREAS, Texans everywhere are indebted to the fine men and
- 2 women in the law enforcement profession who, by their selfless
- 3 dedication to the public welfare, have enabled us to enjoy the
- 4 benefits of a peaceful and orderly society; and
- 5 WHEREAS, These gallant individuals willingly risk their
- 6 lives each day in order to ensure domestic tranquility and protect
- 7 the lives of others, earning the respect and admiration of their
- 8 peers and the greater community; and
- 9 WHEREAS, Police Officer Toby Ray Dirickson of the Ranger
- 10 Police Department exemplified in his personal and professional
- 11 conduct the singular virtues of courage, integrity, and unwavering
- 12 dedication; and
- WHEREAS, Throughout his four months on the force, his record
- 14 was one of meritorious service, loyalty, personal bravery, and
- 15 self-sacrifice consistent with the high ideals of the law
- 16 enforcement profession; and
- WHEREAS, Killed in the line of duty on November 2, 2003, his
- 18 untimely death was a tragic loss to his family, to his fellow peace
- officers, and to the entire community; and
- 20 WHEREAS, His legacy of heroic dedication and self-sacrifice
- 21 will endure and continue to be a source of inspiration to those who
- 22 follow in a difficult but essential profession; now, therefore, be
- 23 it
- 24 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 79th Texas

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- 1 Legislature hereby pay tribute to the life of Police Officer Toby
- 2 Ray Dirickson of the Ranger Police Department and extend deepest
- 3 sympathy to his family, friends, and fellow officers; and, be it
- 4 further
- 5 RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be
- 6 prepared for the members of his family and that when the Texas House
- 7 of Representatives adjourns this day, it do so in the memory of
- 8 Police Officer Toby Ray Dirickson.

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Speaker of the House

I certify that H.R. No. 1309 was unanimously adopted by a rising vote of the House on April 27, 2005.

Chief Clerk of the House