

HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

1 WHEREAS, Residents of Smith County lost a trusted law
2 enforcement officer on June 7, 2006, when Constable Dale David
3 Geddie was killed in the line of duty at the age of 45; and

4 WHEREAS, Born on August 19, 1960, to Otis and Sandra Geddie,
5 Dale Geddie graduated from Winona High School in 1979; following in
6 the footsteps of his father, a former Smith County sheriff's
7 deputy, he pursued a law enforcement career as a jailer with the
8 Smith County Sheriff's Office; in 1986, he graduated as
9 valedictorian from the East Texas Police Academy at Kilgore College
10 and subsequently transferred to the Criminal Investigations
11 Division as a deputy investigator; he served as a patrol officer, a
12 patrol sergeant, and an undercover narcotics officer before leaving
13 law enforcement in 1996 for other endeavors, including opening the
14 Loveday-Geddie Private Investigations and Polygraph Service; and

15 WHEREAS, Less than a decade later, Mr. Geddie signed on as a
16 reserve deputy for Smith County and soon decided to enter his first
17 political race as a 2004 candidate for constable of Precinct 4;
18 campaigning on the promise to revitalize the office, he easily won
19 the majority vote and set about working to fulfill his oath; his
20 brief term was marked by steady activity and a persistent effort to
21 prevent and address crime; he was known for his meticulous
22 documentation of each case and for his calm and brave leadership
23 that inspired his fellow officers; and

24 WHEREAS, Constable Geddie was a member of numerous

1 professional organizations, including the Fraternal Order of
2 Police, the Smith County Peace Officers Association, the Sheriffs'
3 Association of Texas, the Justices of the Peace and Constables
4 Association of Texas, the East Texas Peace Officers Association,
5 and the Children's Advocacy Center of Smith County; and

6 WHEREAS, A devoted husband, father, and son, he was a man of
7 deep faith and a valued member of the First Baptist Church of
8 Winona; and

9 WHEREAS, Although his journey on this earth ended far too
10 soon, Dale Geddie will long be remembered for his courage, his
11 integrity, and his genuine dedication to the people of Smith
12 County; now, therefore, be it

13 RESOLVED, That the 80th Legislature of the State of Texas
14 hereby pay tribute to the life of Constable Dale David Geddie and
15 extend sincere sympathy to the members of his family: to his wife,
16 Leisa Geddie; to his son, Justin Geddie; to his stepson, Jake
17 Woodall; to his parents, Otis and Sandra Geddie; to his sister,
18 Kathy Watson; to his uncle, Freddie Germany; to his nieces, Julie
19 Burleyson and Carol and Melissa Johnston; and to his other
20 relatives and many friends; and, be it further

21 RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be
22 prepared for his family and that when the Texas House of
23 Representatives and Senate adjourn this day, they do so in memory of
24 Constable Dale David Geddie.

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Allen	Geren	Miller
Alonzo	Giddings	Moreno
Anchia	Gonzales	Morrison
Anderson	Gonzalez Toureilles	Mowery
Aycock	Goolsby	Murphy
Bailey	Guillen	Naishtat
Berman	Haggerty	Noriega
Bohac	Hamilton	O'Day
Bolton	Hancock	Oliveira
Bonnen	Hardcastle	Olivo
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Brown of Kaufman	Harper-Brown	Ortiz, Jr.
Brown of Brazos	Hartnett	Otto
Burnam	Heflin	Parker
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Cook of Navarro	Hopson	Puente
Cook of Colorado	Howard of Fort Bend	Quintanilla
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Creighton	Isett	Ritter
Crownover	Jackson	Rodriguez
Darby	Jones	Rose
Davis of Harris	Keffer	Smith of Tarrant
Davis of Dallas	King of Parker	Smith of Harris
Delisi	King of Taylor	Smithee
Deshotel	King of Zavala	Solomons
Driver	Kolkhorst	Strama
Dukes	Krusee	Straus
Dunnam	Kuempel	Swinford
Dutton	Latham	Talton
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England	Macias	Turner
Escobar	Madden	Van Arsdale
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Farias	Martinez	Veasey
Farrar	Martinez Fischer	Villarreal
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Flynn	McClendon	West
Frost	McReynolds	Woolley
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President of the Senate

Speaker of the House

I certify that H.C.R. No. 226 was unanimously adopted by a rising vote of the House on May 1, 2007.

Chief Clerk of the House

I certify that H.C.R. No. 226 was unanimously adopted by a rising vote of the Senate on May 1, 2007.

Secretary of the Senate

APPROVED: _____

Date

Governor