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H.R. No. 1367

R E S O L U T I O N

1           WHEREAS, The tragic death of Jackie Waynn Lester of Lubbock  
2 on March 13, 2007, at the age of 50, has brought great sorrow to his  
3 family, his friends, and his fellow firefighters; and

4           WHEREAS, A Lubbock native, "Jay" Lester was born to Jim and  
5 Nettie Lester on December 18, 1956; he graduated from Monterey High  
6 School in 1975 and attended South Plains College on a rodeo  
7 scholarship; and

8           WHEREAS, In 1977, Mr. Lester established Jay Lester Custom  
9 Drywall; two years later, on December 1, 1979, he married Barbara  
10 Scott, and together they shared many happy times and became the  
11 parents of four children; and

12           WHEREAS, Drawn to public service, Mr. Lester joined the  
13 Lubbock Fire Department in 1980; during his 26-year tenure, he  
14 specialized in heavy rescue and served that organization in several  
15 capacities, earning the rank of lieutenant; and

16           WHEREAS, This esteemed public servant was honored in 1985 by  
17 the Lubbock City Council and the citizens of Lubbock for  
18 firefighting, rescue, and unselfish acts; in 2005, the community  
19 named him its Firefighter of the Year and presented him with a  
20 certificate of merit; and

21           WHEREAS, Mr. Lester enjoyed membership in a number of groups,  
22 including the Lubbock Soccer Association, the Lubbock High School  
23 Rodeo Association, the National Intercollegiate Rodeo Association,  
24 the Lubbock Saddle Club, Professional Bull Riders, and FFA; he was

1 also active with the Red Bud Lions Club, the Monterey Booster Club,  
2 the Lubbock Rangers, the NRA, and the International Association of  
3 Fire Fighters; and

4 WHEREAS, A longtime baseball coach and an avid outdoorsman,  
5 Mr. Lester worked with many Little League teams and enjoyed hunting  
6 and fishing with family and friends; his other hobbies included  
7 softball, bull riding, calf roping, dirt-track racing, and  
8 following NASCAR; and

9 WHEREAS, Jay Lester lived a dynamic and purposeful life, and  
10 he leaves behind memories that will be forever treasured by all  
11 those who were privileged to know him; now, therefore, be it

12 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 80th Texas  
13 Legislature hereby pay tribute to the life of Jackie Waynn Lester  
14 and extend deepest sympathy to the members of his family: to his  
15 wife, Barbara Lester; to his son, Jason Lester, and his wife, Misty;  
16 to his daughters, Jennifer, Julie, and Jacey Lester; to his  
17 mother-in-law, Jerry Scott; to his sister, Nan Rogers, and her  
18 husband, Gary; to his brother-in-law, Mark Scott, and his wife,  
19 Denise; to his niece and nephews, Becky, Matt, and Ben Scott, and  
20 Dustin Rogers; and to his other relatives and many friends; and, be  
21 it further

22 RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be  
23 prepared for his family and that when the Texas House of  
24 Representatives adjourns this day, it do so in memory of Jay Lester.