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## RESOLUTION

1 WHEREAS, Words cannot adequately convey the deep sorrow 2 caused by the tragic death of Clinton Brady Thrasher of McAllen, a

U.S. Customs and Border Protection Air and Marine pilot, who died on

4 April 25, 2007, at the age of 32; and

5 WHEREAS, Air Interdiction Agent Thrasher lost his life while 6 providing air support to border patrol agents conducting ground

7 operations in Brooks County; and

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8 WHEREAS, Born on February 9, 1975, in Henderson, Clinton 9 Thrasher had been enchanted with flying since his youth; he earned 10 his pilot's license before graduating from Henderson High School 11 and went on to attend Louisiana Tech University, where he received a

12 bachelor's degree in aviation; and

WHEREAS, Agent Thrasher graduated in 1997 from the Border Patrol Academy and served for a time in Rio Grande City; in 2003, he joined the CBP Air and Marine and was stationed at the Caribbean Air Branch in Aguadilla, Puerto Rico; he returned stateside in 2006, transferring to the McAllen Air Unit; known for his commitment to the mission, he spoke often of his love for his profession, which combined his passion for flying with his dedication to law

20 enforcement; and

WHEREAS, A devoted and loving husband, Agent Thrasher enjoyed nine years of marriage to his wife, Rachelle, and he delighted in his role as father to their two daughters, Addalyn and AnnMarie; moreover, he was a thoughtful and caring friend to many; and

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- 1 WHEREAS, Although his life ended far too soon, Clinton
- 2 Thrasher leaves behind a legacy of duty, integrity, and service
- 3 that will forever be treasured by all those who were privileged to
- 4 know him; now, therefore, be it
- 5 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 80th Texas
- 6 Legislature hereby pay tribute to the life of Clinton Brady
- 7 Thrasher and extend sincere sympathy to the members of his family:
- 8 to his wife, Rachelle Thrasher; to his daughters, Addalyn and
- 9 AnnMarie Thrasher; to his parents, Buck and Jane Thrasher; to his
- 10 brother, Brent Thrasher; to his grandmothers, Josephine Thrasher
- 11 and Sara Brady; to his father-in-law and mother-in-law, Owen and
- 12 Jan Fitch; to his sister-in-law, Cari Pinnell, and her husband,
- 13 Michael; and to his other relatives and many friends; and, be it
- 14 further
- 15 RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be
- 16 prepared for his family and that when the Texas House of
- 17 Representatives adjourns this day, it do so in memory of Agent
- 18 Clinton Brady Thrasher.

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Speaker of the House

I certify that H.R. No. 1964 was unanimously adopted by a rising vote of the House on May 18, 2007.

Chief Clerk of the House