## SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 675

In Memory of Joe G. Goodson

WHEREAS, The Senate of the State of Texas joins the citizens of Lee County in mourning the loss of Joe G. Goodson, who died April 7, 2007, at the age of 63; and

WHEREAS, Joe Goodson served as sheriff of Lee County for 29 years; he was born in Dime Box and moved with his family to Giddings while in his early childhood; his father, Vernon A. Goodson, served as Lee County sheriff for 25 years; and WHEREAS, After taking office, "Sheriff Joe" procured patrol

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WHEREAS, He was considered the "epitome of a Texas sheriff"--he provided outstanding service to Lee County and gave generously of his time and energy to its citizens; his many accomplishments include serving as president of the Sheriffs' Association of Texas and organizing the Lee County Blue Santa program on behalf of needy children; and WHEREAS, Throughout his tenure as sheriff of Lee County,

WHEREAS, Throughout his tenure as sheriff of Lee County, Joe Goodson was known as a decent and fair man, and he was greatly admired and respected by all who knew him; now, therefore, be it RESOLVED, That the Senate of the State of Texas,

80th Legislature, hereby pay tribute to the life of Joe G. Goodson and extend sincere condolences to his bereaved family; and, be it further

**RESOLVED**, That a copy of this Resolution be prepared for his family as an expression of deepest sympathy from the Texas Senate, and that when the Senate adjourns this day, it do so in memory of Lee County Sheriff Joe G. Goodson.

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## President of the Senate

I hereby certify that the above Resolution was adopted by the Senate on April 11, 2007, by a rising vote.

## Secretary of the Senate