

SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 917

In Memory
of
James Lee Sunderland, Sr.

WHEREAS, Texans everywhere are indebted to the fine men and women in the law enforcement profession who, by their selfless dedication to the public welfare, have enabled us to enjoy the benefits of a peaceful and orderly society; and

WHEREAS, Seldom recognized and often taken for granted by the public they so faithfully serve, these gallant individuals daily risk their lives in order to ensure domestic tranquility and protect the lives and property of others; and

WHEREAS, Patrol Lieutenant James Lee Sunderland, Sr., of the Val Verde County Sheriff's Office exemplified in his personal and professional conduct the singular virtues of courage, integrity, and unwavering dedication; and

WHEREAS, Throughout his 18 years on the force, his record was one of meritorious service, loyalty, personal bravery, and self-sacrifice consistent with the high ideals of the law enforcement profession; and

WHEREAS, Lieutenant Sunderland was killed in the line of duty on June 30, 2006; his untimely death was a tragic loss to his family, to his fellow peace officers, and to the entire community; and

WHEREAS, His legacy of heroic dedication and self-sacrifice will endure and continue to be a source of inspiration to those who follow in a difficult but essential profession; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That the Senate of the State of Texas, 80th Legislature, hereby pay tribute to the life of Patrol Lieutenant James Lee Sunderland, Sr., of the Val Verde County Sheriff's Office and extend deepest sympathy to his family, his friends, and his fellow officers; and, be it further

RESOLVED, That a copy of this Resolution be prepared for the members of his family, and that when the Senate adjourns this day, it do so in memory of Patrol Lieutenant James Lee Sunderland, Sr.

Averitt	Hegar	Deuell
Brimer	Hinojosa	Shapiro
Carona	Jackson	Shapleigh
Duncan	Janeke	Uresti
Ellis	Lucio	Van de Putte
Eltife	Nelson	Watson
Estes	Nichols	Wentworth
Fraser	Ogden	West
Gallegos	Patrick	Whitmire
Harris	Seliger	Williams
		Zaffirini

Dewhurst, President of the Senate

President of the Senate

I hereby certify that the above Resolution was adopted by the Senate on April 30, 2007, by a rising vote.

Secretary of the Senate

Member, Texas Senate