

SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 1008

In Memory  
of  
Eric Jay Van Fossan

**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 allow us to enjoy the benefits of a peaceful and orderly society; and

**WHEREAS**, Seldom recognized for their work 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**, Officer Eric Jay Van Fossan of the Eagle Pass Police Department exemplified in his personal and professional conduct the singular virtues of courage, integrity, and unwavering dedication; and

**WHEREAS**, Throughout his 11 years on the force, his record was one of meritorious service, loyalty, personal bravery, and self-sacrifice, consistent with the highest ideals of the law enforcement profession; and

**WHEREAS**, Officer Van Fossan was killed in the line of duty on February 26, 2005; 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 heroism, 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 Officer Eric Jay Van Fossan and extend condolences 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 as an expression of deepest sympathy from the Texas Senate, and that when the Senate adjourns this day, it do so in memory of Officer Eric Jay Van Fossan.

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President of the Senate

I hereby certify that the above Resolution was adopted by the Senate on May 10, 2007, by a rising vote.

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Secretary of the Senate

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Member, Texas Senate