By: Merritt H.C.R. No. 185

## CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

- 1 WHEREAS, Words cannot adequately express the sense of loss
- 2 felt by the family and friends of Cory James Galloway of Tyler, who
- 3 died on January 25, 2009, at the age of 23; and
- WHEREAS, A member of the Kilgore Fire Department, Mr.
- 5 Galloway and another firefighter lost their lives in the line of
- 6 duty during a training exercise; and
- 7 WHEREAS, Cory Galloway was born in Lewisville on October 30,
- 8 1985, to Luke Edward Galloway and Regina Ann Griffith Galloway; he
- 9 grew up in Van, where he graduated from Van High School in 2004; and
- 10 WHEREAS, Pursuing his dream of becoming a firefighter, Mr.
- 11 Galloway attended the Kilgore College Fire Academy and earned his
- 12 emergency medical technician basic training certificate from Tyler
- 13 Junior College; he was hired in 2008 as a firefighter and EMT by the
- 14 Kilgore Fire Department, and he took great pride in that
- 15 accomplishment; and
- 16 WHEREAS, Mr. Galloway was a devout Catholic, who was known
- 17 for his quick wit and cheerful and generous spirit; after Hurricane
- 18 Ike, he volunteered to help the Galveston Fire Department; and
- WHEREAS, The firefighters of Texas bravely perform dangerous
- 20 and difficult tasks in the service of their communities, and
- 21 through his hard work and dedication, Cory Galloway had joined that
- 22 elite group of men and women; although he died much too soon, the
- 23 memory of this brave and caring young man will live forever in the
- 24 hearts of all who knew and loved him; now, therefore, be it

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- 1 RESOLVED, That the 81st Legislature of the State of Texas
- 2 hereby pay tribute to the life of Cory James Galloway and extend
- 3 sincere condolences to the members of his family: to his parents,
- 4 Luke and Regina Galloway; to his fiancee, Sarah Hunt; to his
- 5 sisters, Jade Hopson and her husband, Chase, and Caitlin Galloway;
- 6 to his grandparents, Ann Galloway and A. J. and Helen Griffith; to
- 7 his niece, Ava Hopson; to his nephew, Ian Hopson; and to his other
- 8 relatives and friends; and, be it further
- 9 RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be
- 10 prepared for his family and that when the Texas House of
- 11 Representatives and Senate adjourn this day, they do so in memory of
- 12 Cory James Galloway.