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RESOLUTION

1 WHEREAS, Flight paramedic Stephanie Waters of Cedar Park died 2 in the line of duty on June 8, 2008, at the age of 27, bringing a 3 tragic loss to all who were privileged to know this brave and 4 compassionate young woman; and

5 WHEREAS, A gifted and extraordinarily dedicated 6 professional, Ms. Waters was attending a patient en route from 7 Huntsville to Houston when their helicopter crashed; and

8 WHEREAS, Inspired by her mother, a paramedic in Marble Falls, 9 Ms. Waters began basic training as an emergency medical technician 10 when she was still too young to take the licensing exam; she joined 11 an ambulance unit immediately after graduating from Marble Falls 12 High School and also went on to work part-time as an instructor at schools around the state; in 2006, her love of flying led her to 13 14 join the PHI Air Medical unit based in Bryan; she was respected for her skills in the field and admired as a CPR teacher and a mentor to 15 16 future paramedics; and

WHEREAS, Ms. Waters met her husband, fellow paramedic Christopher Waters, while teaching a class at Central Texas College in Killeen, and the couple enjoyed a close, loving relationship; and

21 WHEREAS, Although her time on this earth ended far too soon, 22 Stephanie Waters lived out her dreams of flight and service to 23 others, and her joyful devotion to her calling will long be 24 remembered by all who shared in her love and friendship; now,

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1 therefore, be it

2 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 81st Texas 3 Legislature hereby pay tribute to the life of Stephanie Waters and 4 extend sincerest sympathy to the members of her family: to her 5 husband, Christopher Waters; to her mother, Pam Gower; and to her 6 other relatives and many friends; and, be it further

7 RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be 8 prepared for her family and that when the Texas House of 9 Representatives adjourns this day, it do so in memory of Stephanie 10 Waters.

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Speaker of the House

I certify that H.R. No. 916 was unanimously adopted by a rising vote of the House on March 26, 2009.

Chief Clerk of the House