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RESOLUTION

1 WHEREAS, In recognition of his exemplary service to the 2 department and to the people of Garland, Trey Rieper has been named the 2009 Firefighter of the Year by the Garland Fire Department; and 3 WHEREAS, Trey Rieper began his career in 1991 as a volunteer 4 with the Waxahachie Rural Fire Department, and he would go on to 5 serve that department for 15 years, including five years as chief; 6 7 and WHEREAS, In 1995, he entered the DeSoto Fire Academy, and the 8 9 following year, he became a career firefighter with the Garland department; he continued his education at the Dallas Fire Academy 10 11 and graduated from the paramedic school of The University of Texas

12 Southwestern Medical Center in 1998; and

13 WHEREAS, During his 12 years with the Garland Fire 14 Department, Trey Rieper has worked at Stations 2, 4, and 6, and for the past nine years, he has been assigned to Station 8, where he is a 15 16 valued member of the Rescue Team; he holds Advanced Firefighter, Fire Investigator, and State Field Examiner certifications, as well 17 18 as certifications in swift water rescue; and

WHEREAS, This outstanding public servant has shared his 19 knowledge and experience with others as an instructor with the 20 21 Garland Fire Department Recruit School and Hybrid Vehicle Class; since 2005, he has coordinated and taught the swift water rescue 22 23 training classes for Garland and four other departments, and under his leadership the classes have expanded to serve firefighters from 24

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- 1 around the region and state; and
- WHEREAS, With the love and support of his wife, Stephanie,
- 3 and his children, Kaitlyn and Amanda, Trey Rieper has earned the
- 4 respect and admiration of his peers for his professionalism, his
- 5 commitment to excellence, and his dedication to safeguarding the
- 6 public, and he may indeed take great pride in his receipt of this
- 7 prestigious honor; now, therefore, be it
- 8 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 81st Texas
- 9 Legislature hereby congratulate Trey Rieper on his selection as the
- 10 2009 Firefighter of the Year by the Garland Fire Department and
- 11 extend to him sincere best wishes for continued success and
- 12 happiness; and, be it further
- 13 RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be
- 14 prepared for Trey Rieper as an expression of high regard by the
- 15 Texas House of Representatives.