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## RESOLUTION

- 1 WHEREAS, Members of the Combined Law Enforcement
- 2 Associations of Texas are holding their 12th biennial Texas Peace
- 3 Officers' Memorial Ceremony on May 4, 2009, and this solemn event
- 4 provides a fitting opportunity to honor those heroic public
- 5 servants who placed themselves in harm's way to safeguard the lives
- 6 and property of their fellow Texans; and
- 7 WHEREAS, Citizens throughout the state appreciate the brave
- 8 officers who, by their selfless dedication to the public welfare,
- 9 enable us to enjoy the benefits of a peaceful and orderly society;
- 10 and
- 11 WHEREAS, These men and women willingly risk their lives each
- 12 day in order to investigate crimes and to patrol our roadways,
- 13 communities, prisons, parks, and borderlands; moreover, they
- 14 respond in times of crisis, and they also work to educate the public
- 15 about crime prevention, adherence to the law, and safety awareness;
- 16 and
- WHEREAS, Corporal Abel Renteria Marquez of the Odessa Police
- 18 Department exemplified in his professional conduct the virtues of
- 19 courage, dedication, and fortitude throughout his over seven years
- 20 of service with the department; and
- 21 WHEREAS, On September 12, 2007, Abel Renteria Marquez was
- 22 killed in the line of duty, and his untimely death represents a
- 23 tragic loss to his family, to his fellow officers, and to the
- 24 entire community; and

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- 1 WHEREAS, The heroism of Abel Renteria Marquez has earned this
- 2 esteemed Texan our deepest gratitude, which the passage of time can
- 3 never diminish; now, therefore, be it
- 4 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 81st Texas
- 5 Legislature hereby pay tribute to the life of Corporal Abel
- 6 Renteria Marquez of the Odessa Police Department and extend deepest
- 7 sympathy to his loved ones; and, be it further
- 8 RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be
- 9 prepared for the members of his family and that when the Texas House
- 10 of Representatives adjourns this day, it do so in memory of Abel
- 11 Renteria Marquez.