

R E S O L U T I O N

1 WHEREAS, Sergeant Philip R. Hester of the Clute Police
2 Department is being deservedly recognized by the Texas Commission
3 on Law Enforcement Officer Standards and Education in Austin on
4 June 11, 2009; and

5 WHEREAS, The commission presents awards annually to selected
6 peace officers who exceed the normal expectations of job
7 performance; Sergeant Hester is one of 12 officers being recognized
8 in 2009 for bravery and valor; and

9 WHEREAS, In November 2007, Sergeant Hester, who was then a
10 patrol officer, took strong initiative in stopping the burglary of
11 a vehicle in Clute, deliberately leaving his own vehicle parked on
12 the other side of an apartment complex so he could surprise suspects
13 while a crime was in progress; when two burglars jumped into their
14 vehicle and tried to pin Sergeant Hester with it, he followed his
15 training and continued his strong pursuit, firing two shots through
16 their car window; and

17 WHEREAS, As a result of Sergeant Hester's actions, all
18 suspects in the burglary were apprehended and Brazoria County was
19 made much safer; Sergeant Hester exemplifies the heroism of the men
20 and women who devote their lives to preserving the peace and
21 protecting the citizens of our state; and

22 WHEREAS, Sergeant Hester started his law enforcement career
23 with the Texas Department of Criminal Justice, where he worked for
24 nine years, and he has been with the Clute Police Department for

1 five years; and

2 WHEREAS, This dedicated police officer is admired and
3 appreciated by his fellow officers, who nominated him for this
4 award; Sergeant Hester is a credit to his profession and his
5 achievements are indeed worthy of special recognition; now,
6 therefore, be it

7 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 81st Texas
8 Legislature hereby congratulate Sergeant Philip R. Hester on being
9 honored by the Texas Commission on Law Enforcement Officer
10 Standards and Education and extend to him best wishes for continued
11 success; and, be it further

12 RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be
13 prepared for Sergeant Hester as an expression of high regard by the
14 Texas House of Representatives.

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H.R. No. 2228

Speaker of the House

I certify that H.R. No. 2228 was adopted by the House on May 25, 2009, by a non-record vote.

Chief Clerk of the House