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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.