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H.R. No. 2799

R E S O L U T I O N

1 WHEREAS, Words cannot begin to express the heartache felt at
2 the loss of Gregory L. Cocke of Weatherford, who passed away on
3 March 14, 2009, at the age of 41; and

4 WHEREAS, A highly regarded member of the Fort Worth Fire
5 Department, Mr. Cocke was an engineer at Station No. 23; he had just
6 completed a strenuous training exercise when he suffered an
7 aneurysm; and

8 WHEREAS, Greg Cocke graduated from Azle High School in 1986
9 and received a bachelor's degree in engineering physics from
10 Abilene Christian University in 1990; after deciding to make
11 firefighting his career, he completed training at the Fort Worth
12 Fire Academy in May 1993; and

13 WHEREAS, Married in 1991 to the former Teresa Moore, Mr.
14 Cocke was a devoted husband and the proud father of three children,
15 Cora and twins Alissa and Robby; he adored his children, and he
16 encouraged and supported them in all their endeavors; and

17 WHEREAS, Mr. Cocke loved family vacations and spending time
18 in the outdoors; an avid hunter and fisherman, he was also an ardent
19 computer technology enthusiast; and

20 WHEREAS, This esteemed Texan held membership in the Fort
21 Worth Professional Firefighters Association, Local No. 440, and the
22 International Association of Fire Fighters; in addition, he was a
23 valued congregant of the Azle Church of Christ; and

24 WHEREAS, The community that Greg Cocke served with valor and

1 dedication owes him a lasting debt of gratitude, and those who were
2 blessed to share in his life will forever hold him close in their
3 hearts; now, therefore, be it

4 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 81st Texas
5 Legislature hereby pay tribute to the memory of Gregory L. Cocke and
6 extend sincere sympathy to the members of his family: to his
7 beloved wife, Teresa Cocke; to his children, Alissa Paulette,
8 Robert Taylor, and Cora Ann Cocke; to his mother, Phyllis Cocke; to
9 his brother, Randall Cocke, and his wife, Stefni; to his sisters,
10 Lisa Hamiter and her husband, Dr. Tom Hamiter, Jeanette Cocke, and
11 Melissa Perry; and to his other relatives and many friends; and, be
12 it further

13 RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be
14 prepared for his family and that when the Texas House of
15 Representatives adjourns this day, it do so in memory of Greg Cocke.