

SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 633

In Memory
of
Damion Jon Hobbs

WHEREAS, The Senate of the State of Texas joins the citizens of Houston in mourning the loss of Damion Jon Hobbs of the Houston Fire Department, who died while serving in the line of duty on April 12, 2009, at the age of 30; and

WHEREAS, Damion Hobbs was born December 24, 1978, in Alvin; he was raised in Alvin and was a 1998 graduate of Alvin High School; he fulfilled his lifelong ambition when he graduated from the Houston Fire Department's Val Jahnke Training Facility and became a firefighter at Fire Station 26 in southeast Houston; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Hobbs served the nation for a decade in the United States Army, where he had risen to the rank of staff sergeant, and he completed a 14-month deployment in Iraq in July of 2007; and

WHEREAS, The life of a firefighter is one of courage and sacrifice that requires a deep commitment from the men and women that accept this calling; Mr. Hobbs possessed these qualities in outsize quantities, exhibiting a strong sense of duty and never backing away from danger; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Hobbs was dedicated to his work, and he willingly placed his life on the line to protect the lives of others; he gave his life in the performance of his duties, and he will posthumously receive the Medal of Honor from the Houston Fire Department and the Medal of Honor from the International Association of Fire Fighters; and

WHEREAS, A remarkable man of strength and determination, his valor will be long remembered, and his family and many friends will continue to live with the cherished memories of his life and his many achievements; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That the Senate of the State of Texas, 81st Legislature, hereby pay tribute to the life of Damion Jon Hobbs and extend sincere condolences to his bereaved family: his father, Jon Hobbs; his mother, Joyce Webb; his sisters, Janice DeShazer and Tammy and Shiela Hobbs; his stepsister, Danielle Moon; his stepbrother, Levi Webb; and his grandmother, Ruth Johnson; and, be it further

RESOLVED, That a copy of this Resolution be prepared for his family as an expression of deepest sympathy from the Texas

Senate, and that when the Senate adjourns this day, it do so in memory of Damion Jon Hobbs.

Gallegos, Jackson

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Carona
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Huffman
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Nichols
Ogden
Patrick
Seliger

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Shapleigh
Uresti
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Watson
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West
Whitmire
Williams
Zaffirini

Dewhurst, President of the Senate

President of the Senate

I hereby certify that the above Resolution was adopted by the Senate on April 15, 2009, by a rising vote.

Secretary of the Senate

Member, Texas Senate

Member, Texas Senate