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H.R. No. 1204

R E S O L U T I O N

1           WHEREAS, Texans everywhere are indebted to the courageous men  
2 and women of the law enforcement profession who, by their selfless  
3 dedication to the public welfare, have enabled us to enjoy the  
4 benefits of a peaceful and orderly society; and

5           WHEREAS, Too seldom recognized and often taken for granted by  
6 the public they so faithfully serve, these gallant individuals  
7 daily risk their lives in order to ensure domestic tranquility and  
8 to protect the lives and property of others; and

9           WHEREAS, Deputy Sheriff Francis David Blake of the Burnet  
10 County Sheriff's Office exemplified in his personal and  
11 professional conduct the admirable virtues of courage, integrity,  
12 and unwavering dedication; and

13           WHEREAS, Throughout his 6 years and 9 months on the force, he  
14 garnered a record of meritorious service, loyalty, bravery, and  
15 self-sacrifice consistent with the highest ideals of the law  
16 enforcement profession; and

17           WHEREAS, Killed in the line of duty on October 3, 2009, Deputy  
18 Sheriff Blake will long be missed by his family, his fellow peace  
19 officers, and the entire community; and

20           WHEREAS, Through the years, the notable legacy of Deputy  
21 Sheriff Blake will endure and continue to be a source of inspiration  
22 for those who follow in this difficult but essential profession;  
23 now, therefore, be it

24           RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 82nd Texas

1 Legislature hereby pay tribute to the life of Deputy Sheriff  
2 Francis David Blake of the Burnet County Sheriff's Office and  
3 extend deepest sympathy to his family, friends, and fellow  
4 officers; and, be it further

5       RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be  
6 prepared for his family and that when the Texas House of  
7 Representatives adjourns this day, it do so in memory of Deputy  
8 Sheriff Blake.