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R E S O L U T I O N

1 WHEREAS, Officer Luther E. Cosby of the Roanoke Police  
2 Department is receiving a 2010 State of Texas Law Enforcement  
3 Achievement Award for Valor from the Texas Commission on Law  
4 Enforcement Officer Standards and Education; and

5 WHEREAS, A peace officer with 17 years of experience, Officer  
6 Cosby prevailed in a desperate situation on February 22, 2010, by  
7 demonstrating exceptional bravery; and

8 WHEREAS, Off duty that day, Officer Cosby was on his way to  
9 get a new camera installed on his police motorcycle when he  
10 encountered the aftermath of a rollover accident on Interstate 635;  
11 an SUV was lying on its side with the front end on fire, and the  
12 driver, whose leg was pinned, was trapped inside; several passersby  
13 had already stopped and were trying to free her by breaking the  
14 windshield; and

15 WHEREAS, Pulling over, Officer Cosby helped bend the  
16 windshield away from the car, but the gap was not wide enough to  
17 gain access to the driver; realizing her leg would have to be freed  
18 first, he crawled into the burning vehicle without hesitation and  
19 carefully tugged at her leg until it came free; he then climbed onto  
20 the top of the vehicle and pulled her to safety through a back seat  
21 window; moments later, the vehicle was engulfed in flames; and

22 WHEREAS, Through swift, decisive, and courageous action,  
23 Officer Luther Cosby saved a woman's life, and he is truly deserving  
24 of this prestigious award as one who embodies the highest ideals of

1 the law enforcement profession; now, therefore, be it

2           RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 82nd Texas  
3 Legislature hereby congratulate Officer Luther E. Cosby on his  
4 receipt of a 2010 State of Texas Law Enforcement Achievement Award  
5 for Valor and commend him for his remarkable heroism; and, be it  
6 further

7           RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be  
8 prepared for Officer Cosby as an expression of high regard by the  
9 Texas House of Representatives.