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## RESOLUTION

- 1 WHEREAS, Family and friends will long cherish their memories
- 2 of Sergeant Carl Thomas III of Kemp, who passed away on October 5,
- 3 2011, at the age of 37; and
- WHEREAS, Born on November 19, 1973, in Dallas to Carl Henry
- 5 Thomas, Jr., and Susan Roberta Harmel Thomas, "Skip" Thomas
- 6 graduated from Kemp High School; he attended the North Texas
- 7 Regional Police Academy and then began his career with the Kaufman
- 8 County Sheriff's Department in 1999; he served as a detention
- 9 officer before becoming a peace officer in 2000, and he went on to
- 10 hold the position of communications officer at the Kaufman County
- 11 Law Enforcement Center; and
- 12 WHEREAS, Sergeant Thomas was an outstanding deputy and an
- 13 integral member of the force for 11 years; consistently
- 14 demonstrating his love of the job, he ably trained new deputies; he
- 15 was also an avid golfer, and he liked to travel, ranch, and work on
- 16 the farm; and
- 17 WHEREAS, A beloved family member and respected public
- 18 servant, Skip Thomas departed this life far too soon, and he is
- 19 deeply missed by all those who were privileged to know him; now,
- 20 therefore, be it
- 21 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 83rd Texas
- 22 Legislature hereby pay tribute to the life of Sergeant Skip Thomas
- 23 and extend sincere sympathy to the members of his family: to his
- 24 parents, Carl Henry Thomas, Jr., and Susan Roberta Harmel Thomas;

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- 1 to his sisters, Wendy Thomas and Shari Hildabrant and her husband,
- 2 Jake; and to his other relatives and friends; and, be it further
- 3 RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be
- 4 prepared for his family and that when the Texas House of
- 5 Representatives adjourns this day, it do so in memory of Sergeant
- 6 Skip Thomas.