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## RESOLUTION

- 1 WHEREAS, Residents of Memphis lost a brave and dedicated
- 2 member of the community with the passing of fire marshal Charles
- 3 Matthew Waller on February 25, 2012, at the age of 47; and
- WHEREAS, The son of Charles and Violet Pierce Waller, Matt
- 5 Waller was born on June 27, 1964, in Memphis, Texas; he graduated
- 6 from Memphis High School in 1982, and following in his father's
- 7 footsteps, he attended the Amarillo College Fire Academy and joined
- 8 the Memphis Volunteer Fire Department; during his nearly three
- 9 decades there, he served as a firefighter and an emergency medical
- 10 technician, as well as the department training officer, and he was
- 11 the city's fire marshal for 15 years; and
- 12 WHEREAS, Mr. Waller was a deacon at First Baptist Church,
- 13 where he taught Sunday school classes, managed the sound board, and
- 14 contributed to mission work in El Paso; he further distinguished
- 15 himself as a volunteer for Little League, Pee Wee Football, and
- 16 Relay for Life; in all of his endeavors, he enjoyed the love and
- 17 support of his wife, the former Dana Bloxom, whom he married in
- 18 1995, and their union was enriched by the addition of a son,
- 19 Cameron; and
- WHEREAS, Dedicated to his family, faith, and hometown, Matt
- 21 Waller made a meaningful difference in the lives of his fellow
- 22 citizens, and memories of many happy times spent in his company
- 23 remain to comfort his loved ones; now, therefore, be it
- 24 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 83rd Texas

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- 1 Legislature pay tribute to the life of Charles Matthew Waller and
- 2 extend deepest sympathy to the members of his family: to his wife,
- 3 Dana Waller; to his son, Cameron Waller; to his parents, Charles and
- 4 Violet Waller; to his sister, Shelly Beam, and her husband, Brent;
- 5 to his parents-in-law, Mike and Debbie Bloxom; to his
- 6 sister-in-law, Keely Ramsey, and her husband, Hollis; to his
- 7 grandmother-in-law, Joyce Bloxom; to his nephews, Greg and Kiefer
- 8 Waller, Brittan and Conner Beam, and Cody and Caleb Ramsey; to his
- 9 niece, Mikayla Ramsey; and to his other relatives and many friends;
- 10 and, be it further
- 11 RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be
- 12 prepared for his family and that when the Texas House of
- 13 Representatives adjourns this day, it do so in memory of Matt
- 14 Waller.

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