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R E S O L U T I O N

1 WHEREAS, Sergeant Paul Tong of the Irving Police Department
2 demonstrated remarkable courage on February 14, 2013, when he
3 rescued a man from a burning residence; and

4 WHEREAS, Early that morning, Sergeant Tong and another
5 officer arrived at the scene of a fire at a duplex, where billowing
6 smoke obscured his view; while waiting for the fire department to
7 arrive, Sergeant Tong heard someone screaming for help from inside
8 the fiery building; and

9 WHEREAS, Acting quickly, he entered the building and,
10 crawling to keep under the smoke, discovered an elderly, bedridden
11 man who had fallen from his bed to the floor; still on his knees,
12 Sergeant Tong pulled the man to safety on the porch of the house;
13 the man's wife was also saved from the home, and the fire crew
14 rescued the couple's three dogs; and

15 WHEREAS, In the face of grave danger, Paul Tong put himself
16 directly in harm's way to come to the aid of a fellow Texan in need,
17 and his brave and selfless actions successfully averted a terrible
18 tragedy; now, therefore, be it

19 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 83rd Texas
20 Legislature hereby honor Sergeant Paul Tong of the Irving Police
21 Department for his heroism in saving a life and extend to him
22 sincere best wishes for all the good fortune he so richly deserves;
23 and, be it further

24 RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be

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1 prepared for Sergeant Tong as an expression of high regard by the
2 Texas House of Representatives.