By: Bonnen of Galveston

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## RESOLUTION

- 1 WHEREAS, The citizens of League City are mourning the loss of
- 2 volunteer firefighter cadet Donald Mark Mize, who passed away on
- 3 March 6, 2013, at the age of 63; and
- WHEREAS, The son of Harvey Donald and Ona Elizabeth Mize,
- 5 Donald Mize was born on December 2, 1949; raised in the Denver
- 6 Harbor area of Houston, he graduated from Austin High School and
- 7 went on to earn a master's degree in education; he made his career
- 8 as an educator, teaching first in Galveston and later in the Clear
- 9 Creek Independent School District before retiring from teaching
- 10 high school students in 2012; and
- 11 WHEREAS, This accomplished Texan was active in his community
- 12 in a number of ways; he held membership in the Galveston Historical
- 13 Foundation, helping to secure official designations for historic
- 14 sites, and in retirement he joined the Texas State Guard, completed
- 15 the Citizens Police Academy in League City, and applied to become a
- 16 cadet with the League City Volunteer Fire Department, fulfilling a
- 17 lifelong dream; a man of faith as well, he attended St. Mary's
- 18 Catholic Church and belonged to the Knights of Columbus; and
- 19 WHEREAS, Mr. Mize was devoted to his family, including his
- 20 wife, Theresa, and his daughter, Stacey; he also welcomed into his
- 21 family two stepsons, Keith and James, and two grandsons, Jordan and
- 22 Connor; and
- 23 WHEREAS, Although he will be deeply missed, Donald Mize
- 24 leaves behind a wealth of memories that will long be treasured by

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all those fortunate enough to have known him; now, therefore, be it 1 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 83rd Texas 2 Legislature hereby pay tribute to the life of Donald Mize and extend 3 4 sincere sympathy to the members of his family: to his wife, Theresa Mize; to his daughter, Stacey Mize; to his grandsons, Jordan and 5 6 Connor; to his stepsons, Keith and James Kahanek; to his mother, Ona Elizabeth Mize; to his brother, James Mize; to his sister, Rebecca 7 8 Mize; and to his other relatives and friends; and, be it further RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be 9 prepared for his family and that when the Texas House of 10

Representatives adjourns this day, it do so in memory of Donald

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