By: Fletcher H.R. No. 1646

RESOLUTION

- 1 WHEREAS, Citizens from across the Lone Star State are
- 2 gathering at the Capitol on May 6, 2013, for the Peace Officers'
- 3 Memorial Ceremony, held in honor of those brave men and women who
- 4 have lost their lives in the line of duty; and
- 5 WHEREAS, Texans everywhere are indebted to members of the law
- 6 enforcement profession who, by their selfless devotion to the
- 7 public welfare, have enabled us to enjoy the benefits of a peaceful
- 8 and orderly society; and
- 9 WHEREAS, Too seldom recognized and sometimes taken for
- 10 granted by the public they so faithfully serve, these intrepid
- 11 individuals daily risk their lives in order to preserve domestic
- 12 tranquility and to protect their fellow residents; and
- WHEREAS, Deputy Sheriff Robert Leo Britton, Jr., of the Smith
- 14 County Sheriff's Office earned the respect and admiration of his
- 15 peers for his commitment to serving the greater good, and his
- 16 contributions will not soon be forgotten; and
- WHEREAS, Throughout his tenure, which spanned 19 years,
- 18 Deputy Sheriff Britton demonstrated the loyalty, courage, and
- 19 self-sacrifice that are consistent with the highest ideals of the
- 20 law enforcement profession; and
- 21 WHEREAS, Killed in the line of duty on March 28, 2011, at the
- 22 age of 54, Deputy Sheriff Britton will long be missed by his family,
- 23 his fellow peace officers, and the entire community; and
- 24 WHEREAS, Though his life ended far too soon, Deputy Sheriff

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- 1 Britton left behind a notable legacy that will forever be honored by
- 2 those who follow in this difficult but essential profession; now,
- 3 therefore, be it
- 4 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 83rd Texas
- 5 Legislature hereby pay tribute to the life of Deputy Sheriff Robert
- 6 Leo Britton, Jr., of the Smith County Sheriff's Office and extend
- 7 deepest sympathy to his relatives, friends, and fellow officers;
- 8 and, be it further
- 9 RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be
- 10 prepared for his family and that when the Texas House of
- 11 Representatives adjourns this day, it do so in memory of Deputy
- 12 Sheriff Britton.