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## 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

13 WHEREAS, Sergeant Kenneth Gary Vann of the Bexar County 14 Sheriff's Office earned the respect and admiration of his peers for 15 his commitment to serving the greater good, and his contributions 16 will not soon be forgotten; and

WHEREAS, Throughout his tenure, which spanned 24 years and 6 months, Sergeant Vann demonstrated the loyalty, courage, and self-sacrifice that are consistent with the highest ideals of the law enforcement profession; and

21 WHEREAS, Killed in the line of duty on May 28, 2011, at the 22 age of 48, Sergeant Vann will long be missed by his family, his 23 fellow peace officers, and the entire community; and

24 WHEREAS, Though his life ended far too soon, Sergeant Vann

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1 left behind a notable legacy that will forever be honored by those
2 who follow in this difficult but essential profession; now,
3 therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 83rd Texas
Legislature hereby pay tribute to the life of Sergeant Kenneth Gary
Vann of the Bexar County Sheriff's Office and extend deepest
sympathy to his relatives, friends, and fellow officers; 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 Sergeant 12 Vann.

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## Speaker of the House

I certify that H.R. No. 1655 was unanimously adopted by a rising vote of the House on May 1, 2013.

Chief Clerk of the House