By: Collier H.R. No. 2524

RESOLUTION

- 1 WHEREAS, Residents of Forest Hill are gathering on Memorial
- 2 Day 2013 to dedicate the newly completed Memorial Park in honor of
- 3 local military veterans and public safety officers who have so
- 4 commendably served their fellow citizens; and
- 5 WHEREAS, Commissioned in 2012 by the Forest Hill City Council
- 6 and overseen by a committee of staff members and volunteers, the
- 7 park was created on land donated in 2002 by the family of Samuel
- 8 Gene Payte, a real estate developer and World War II navy veteran;
- 9 and
- 10 WHEREAS, A highlight of the park is a "Court of Honor" with
- 11 stone panels representing each branch of the U.S. military and the
- 12 engraved names of active and former service members; a monument
- 13 honoring prisoners of war and soldiers reported missing in action
- 14 and a tribute in remembrance of Forest Hill public safety officers
- 15 who lost their lives in the line of duty are also important sections
- 16 of the memorial; and
- 17 WHEREAS, Texans owe a profound debt of gratitude to the men
- 18 and women who risk their lives in our behalf on American soil and
- 19 overseas, and this poignant installation will serve as a reminder
- 20 of their courage and sacrifice for generations to come; now,
- 21 therefore, be it
- 22 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 83rd Texas
- 23 Legislature hereby congratulate the City of Forest Hill on the
- 24 completion of Memorial Park and commemorate the service of the

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- 1 community's military and public safety personnel, past and present;
- 2 and, be it further
- 3 RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be
- 4 prepared for the City of Forest Hill as an expression of high regard
- 5 by the Texas House of Representatives.