

HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

1 WHEREAS, The untimely death of El Paso Constable Robert
2 Parker White on November 1, 2014, at the age of 45, brought a great
3 loss to many in the community who knew and admired him; and

4 WHEREAS, Killed while providing security for an event,
5 Constable White had served the residents of Precinct One with the
6 utmost distinction for nearly two decades; he was first elected in
7 1996 and won reelection four times; during his tenure, he was
8 instrumental in helping to develop a constable code of conduct, and
9 other officers in his department relied on his extensive experience
10 and leadership; he completed numerous state-sanctioned law
11 enforcement courses and received a host of accolades for his
12 contributions; and

13 WHEREAS, This exemplary public servant was especially
14 committed to the safety and well-being of area youth, and he was an
15 educator as well as a law enforcement officer; for 17 years, Robert
16 White was employed as a physical education teacher and coach at
17 Putnam Elementary School, and he earned the respect and admiration
18 of colleagues and students alike; he was proactive in looking out
19 for the students, and he was an exceptionally compassionate and
20 caring mentor, counselor, and role model; and

21 WHEREAS, Born in Chattanooga, Tennessee, on June 13, 1969, he
22 attended Coronado High School and El Paso Community College, where
23 he became very active in campus activities; he graduated from the
24 Law Enforcement Training Academy and went on to complete his

1 bachelor's degree in special education and his master's degree in
2 education at The University of Texas at El Paso; and

3 WHEREAS, Constable White became involved in civic life at an
4 early age, and he was elected president of the El Paso Young
5 Democrats; later, he proudly represented the party in his
6 successful bids for office, and he was active in Democratic
7 initiatives; he volunteered for the Westside Democrats in many
8 capacities, including sergeant-at-arms, and he was inducted into
9 the El Paso County Democratic Party Hall of Fame; and

10 WHEREAS, Devoted to his Catholic faith and to his family,
11 Constable White was the loving father of four children,
12 Christabelle, Harrison, Allison, and Robert; he loved to act and
13 played small roles in local productions, and he also enjoyed
14 golfing and following Cowboys football and Chihuahuas baseball, or
15 just admiring the El Paso skyline; and

16 WHEREAS, Robert White made a positive difference in countless
17 lives, and although his time on this earth was far too brief, he
18 will forever be remembered for his warmth, kindness, and tremendous
19 dedication to public service; now, therefore, be it

20 RESOLVED, That the 84th Legislature of the State of Texas
21 hereby honor the memory of Constable Robert Parker White and extend
22 sincere condolences to the members of his family: to his parents,
23 Tony and Linda de la Cruz and Jack and Debbie White; to his
24 children, Christabelle, Harrison, and Allison White and Robert
25 White Jr.; to his sisters, Norma Gonzales, Gloria Banda, Kristy
26 Barbee, Sondra Lockhart, and Bridget Asher; to his nieces and
27 nephews; and to his other relatives and friends; and, be it further

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1 RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be
2 prepared for his family and that when the Texas House of
3 Representatives and Senate adjourn this day, they do so in memory of
4 Constable Robert Parker White.

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President of the Senate

Speaker of the House

I certify that H.C.R. No. 88 was unanimously adopted by a rising vote of the House on March 30, 2015.

Chief Clerk of the House

I certify that H.C.R. No. 88 was adopted by the Senate on April 30, 2015, by a viva-voce vote.

Secretary of the Senate

APPROVED: _____

Date

Governor