By: Davis of Dallas

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RESOLUTION

1 WHEREAS, The untimely death of Lance Andre Lemons of Desoto 2 on February 5, 2015, at the age of 27, has brought profound sorrow 3 to his family and friends; and

WHEREAS, The son of Lee and Rhonda Lemons, Lance Lemons attended Fellowship Christian Academy as a child, and when he was in the sixth grade, he told his mother he wanted to be baptized; he continued his spiritual journey at Oak Cliff Bible Fellowship Church and Restoration Community Church; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Lemons was involved in Jack and Jill of America 9 as a youngster; a gifted athlete, he received his black belt in tae 10 11 kwon do from the American Karate Academy in 2000, and he participated in a number of sports, including youth soccer and 12 baseball; as a student at Bishop Dunne Catholic School, he ran track 13 14 and was a member of the basketball and football teams; he also played for the Dallas Mustang and Dirty Dozen AAU Basketball teams; 15 16 and

WHEREAS, In his senior year, Mr. Lemons was selected to participate in the Tom Hillary DFW All-Star Classic football game; he received a scholarship to the University of Arkansas at Pine Bluff and played wide receiver on its football team, and he later joined the Texas Longhorns semi-pro football team; and

22 WHEREAS, This dynamic young Texan completed his studies in 23 criminal justice at The University of Texas at Commerce, and he was 24 involved in the Student Government Association, the National

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1 Association of University Women, and the Upward Bound program; 2 moreover, he volunteered at the Boys and Girls Club of America; his 3 strong work ethic and compassion for at-risk youth led him to a 4 fulfilling career as a Dallas County juvenile detention officer, 5 and he gave generously of his time and talents to Kids Across 6 America and the Salvation Army; and

7 WHEREAS, On March 17, 2012, Mr. Lemons and KiShore Hawkins
8 became the proud parents of a beloved son, Landin Mikah Lemons; and

9 WHEREAS, Lance Lemons was sustained by a strong faith from an 10 early age, and although his days were far too few, memories of his 11 kindness and devotion remain to comfort and inspire all who were 12 fortunate enough to know him; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 84th Texas 13 14 Legislature hereby pay tribute to the life of Lance Andre Lemons and 15 extend sincere condolences to the members of his family: to his son, Landin Mikah Lemons; to his parents, Lee and Rhonda Lemons; to his 16 17 sister, Randi Lemons; to his aunts and uncles, Pauline, Jimmy, Ursula, Latherio, Lentreise, Christopher, Doriat, Kem, Aaron, 18 Lovell, Terri, Lamar, Geneva, Charles, Oneda, Ollie Mae, Larry, 19 David, and Billie; to his best friend, Michael Cooper; and to his 20 many other friends and relatives; and, be it further 21

RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be prepared for the members of his family and that when the Texas House of Representatives adjourns this day, it do so in memory of Lance Andre Lemons.

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