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R E S O L U T I O N

1 WHEREAS, Citizens from across the Lone Star State are
2 gathering at the State Capitol on May 4, 2015, for the Peace
3 Officers' Memorial Ceremony, held in honor of those brave men and
4 women who 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, Deputy Sheriff Billy F. "Bubba" Kennedy Jr. of the
14 Upton County Sheriff's Department earned the respect and admiration
15 of his peers for his commitment to serving the greater good, and his
16 contributions will not soon be forgotten; and

17 WHEREAS, Throughout his tenure, which spanned 14 years and 1
18 month, Deputy Sheriff Kennedy demonstrated the loyalty, courage,
19 and self-sacrifice that are consistent with the highest ideals of
20 the law enforcement profession; and

21 WHEREAS, Killed in the line of duty on Wednesday, October 2,
22 2013, at the age of 38, Deputy Sheriff Kennedy will long be missed
23 by his family, his fellow peace officers, and the entire community;
24 and

1 WHEREAS, Though his life ended far too soon, Deputy Sheriff
2 Kennedy left behind a notable legacy that will forever be honored by
3 those who follow in this difficult but essential profession; now,
4 therefore, be it

5 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 84th Texas
6 Legislature hereby pay tribute to the life of Deputy Sheriff Billy
7 F. "Bubba" Kennedy Jr. of the Upton County Sheriff's Department and
8 extend deepest sympathy to his relatives, friends, and fellow
9 officers; and, be it further

10 RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be
11 prepared for his family and that when the Texas House of
12 Representatives adjourns this day, it do so in memory of Deputy
13 Sheriff Billy F. "Bubba" Kennedy Jr.