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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, Police Officer William Jason Sprague of the  
14 Texarkana Police Department earned the respect and admiration of  
15 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 six years and  
18 two months, Officer Sprague demonstrated the loyalty, courage, and  
19 self-sacrifice that are consistent with the highest ideals of the  
20 law enforcement profession; and

21           WHEREAS, Killed in the line of duty on Saturday, June 15,  
22 2013, at the age of 30, Officer Sprague will long be missed by his  
23 family, his fellow peace officers, and the entire community; and

24           WHEREAS, Though his life ended far too soon, Officer Sprague

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

4       RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 84th Texas  
5 Legislature hereby pay tribute to the life of Police Officer  
6 William Jason Sprague of the Texarkana Police Department and extend  
7 deepest sympathy to his relatives, friends, and fellow officers;  
8 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 Police  
12 Officer William Jason Sprague.