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R E S O L U T I O N

1 WHEREAS, The elite designation of Eighth Degree Black Belt
2 Grand Master is an honor bestowed on only the most deserving martial
3 arts practitioners, and on September 27, 2014, David Sheffield of
4 Quitman was recognized with this rare distinction; and

5 WHEREAS, Since beginning his training in Tae Kwon Do in 1980,
6 Mr. Sheffield has earned well-deserved praise for his dedication to
7 this demanding discipline; he was inducted into the USA Martial
8 Arts Hall of Fame as American Tae Kwon Do Instructor of the Year in
9 2013, and the following year, he was presented with a Silver
10 Lifetime Achievement Award by the hall and a Silver Lifetime
11 Contribution Award by *Action Martial Arts Magazine* and Hall of
12 Honor; and

13 WHEREAS, Mr. Sheffield is retired from a career in law
14 enforcement during which he served as a police lieutenant and a K-9
15 narcotics officer and received numerous commendations and
16 accolades; in addition, he has helped train police officers across
17 the state in defensive tactics and has been featured in episodes of
18 *COPS* and *Walker, Texas Ranger*; in 2011, he opened the Quitman Karate
19 Academy, where he continues to share his expertise as a Tae Kwon Do
20 instructor; and

21 WHEREAS, David Sheffield has made immeasurable contributions
22 to his sport and to his fellow citizens through a lifetime of
23 purposeful endeavor, and he may take justifiable pride in his
24 recent black belt achievement; now, therefore, be it

1 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 84th Texas
2 Legislature hereby congratulate David Sheffield on being
3 designated an Eighth Degree Black Belt Grand Master and extend to
4 him sincere best wishes for continued success; and, be it further

5 RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be
6 prepared for Mr. Sheffield as an expression of high regard by the
7 Texas House of Representatives.