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R E S O L U T I O N

1 WHEREAS, Deputy Sheriff Thomas Shaw of the Nueces County
2 Sheriff's Office lost his life in the line of duty on September 10,
3 1877, and his service and sacrifice will not soon be forgotten; and
4 WHEREAS, In September 1877, Deputy Sheriff Shaw and an
5 assistant rode to Brooks County to arrest a man who was wanted for
6 selling stolen hides; Deputy Sheriff Shaw rode in the back of a
7 wagon with the prisoner, his wife, and their two children on the
8 return trip, and while the party was stopped in Banquete, someone
9 stabbed the deputy to death; the prisoner's wife claimed the deputy
10 was assaulted by a party of armed men, but her husband was later put
11 on trial for the murder; and
12 WHEREAS, Our state and nation benefit immeasurably from the
13 courage and commitment of law enforcement professionals such as
14 Deputy Sheriff Thomas Shaw, who willingly place themselves in
15 harm's way each day to safeguard the lives and property of their
16 fellow citizens; now, therefore, be it
17 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 84th Texas
18 Legislature hereby pay tribute to the life and exemplary service of
19 Deputy Sheriff Thomas Shaw of the Nueces County Sheriff's Office.