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RESOLUTION

1 WHEREAS, Game wardens Morgan Inman, Justin Eddins, and Roy 2 Eddins have been presented with the Director's Life Saving Citation 3 from the Texas Parks and Wildlife Department for their actions 4 during an incident on Lake Sam Rayburn; and

5 WHEREAS, At noon on June 28, 2014, a man and his 13-year-old 6 son were swimming in the lake at Ebenezer Park when the boy sank 7 beneath the water and failed to resurface; when the father tried to 8 save his son, he was overcome by the water as well and ended up 9 clinging to a buoy; and

10 WHEREAS, Responding to the emergency were three local game 11 wardens, Morgan Inman and Justin Eddins of Jasper County and Roy 12 Eddins of Tyler County, as well as the Jasper County Emergency 13 Corps; two of the wardens were already on the lake in their boats 14 and arrived within five minutes, while the third warden arrived 15 soon thereafter; and

16 WHEREAS, Working together, the three wardens pulled the 17 father from the water, and then they searched for and found his son; 18 although the young man later died in the hospital, his organs were 19 made available for transplant, and at least one individual received 20 a transplanted organ from the boy; and

21 WHEREAS, Thanks to the swift and skillful action taken by 22 these dedicated professionals, an even greater tragedy was averted, 23 and Morgan Inman and Justin and Roy Eddins indeed merit special 24 recognition for their efforts; now, therefore, be it

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1 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 84th Texas 2 Legislature hereby congratulate game wardens Morgan Inman, Justin 3 Eddins, and Roy Eddins on their receipt of the Director's Life 4 Saving Citation from the Texas Parks and Wildlife Department and 5 extend to them sincere best wishes for the future; and, be it 6 further

RESOLVED, That official copies of this resolution be prepared
for Morgan Inman, Justin Eddins, and Roy Eddins as an expression of
high regard by the Texas House of Representatives.

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Speaker of the House

I certify that H.R. No. 2538 was adopted by the House on May 21, 2015, by a non-record vote.

Chief Clerk of the House