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R E S O L U T I O N

1 WHEREAS, Sheriff Mitchel Newman and Deputy Kevin Holloway of
2 the Jasper County Sheriff's Department played an important role in
3 the water rescue of a fellow Texan on April 27, 2015; and

4 WHEREAS, Heavy rains early that morning had caused Mill Creek
5 to overflow its banks, covering a county road with water; when a
6 local resident tried to drive through the water in her pickup truck,
7 the current forced her vehicle into the creek, where she was
8 trapped; and

9 WHEREAS, At 11:25 a.m., Deputy Holloway came across the
10 partially submerged vehicle and realized that someone was inside
11 it, and he summoned assistance; Sheriff Newman and a team from the
12 Lake Rayburn Fire Department arrived as a result of his call, and
13 they worked together to quickly and efficiently break the truck's
14 window, pull the driver out, and escort her through the water to
15 safety; and

16 WHEREAS, Thanks to the swift and coordinated action of Deputy
17 Holloway, Sheriff Newman, and the other first responders on the
18 scene, a woman was rescued from desperate circumstances, and a
19 potential tragedy was narrowly averted; now, therefore, be it

20 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 84th Texas
21 Legislature hereby commend Sheriff Mitchel Newman and Deputy Kevin
22 Holloway for helping to rescue a citizen in need and extend to them
23 sincere best wishes for continued success with their important
24 work; and, be it further

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1 RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be
2 prepared for Sheriff Newman and Deputy Holloway as an expression of
3 high regard by the Texas House of Representatives.