By: Moody H.R. No. 3364

RESOLUTION

- 1 WHEREAS, Countless lives were touched by the kindness and
- 2 generosity of José "Joe" Monsivais of El Paso, who passed away on
- 3 May 14, 2015, at the age of 45; and
- WHEREAS, A graduate of the University of Houston Law Center,
- 5 Joe Monsivais spent his career in public service, working as an
- 6 assistant public defender and as an assistant attorney with El Paso
- 7 County, the District Attorney's Office, and the U.S. Attorney's
- 8 Office; among other accomplishments, he helped develop a program
- 9 aimed at preventing domestic abuse and trained police officers in
- 10 the use of cameras for interviewing victims of violence; moreover,
- 11 he was known for his caring mentorship of numerous young criminal
- 12 justice professionals; and
- WHEREAS, Above all else, Mr. Monsivais was devoted to his
- 14 wife, Amy, and his children, Cassandra, Madeleine, and Thomas; in
- 15 his free time, he enjoyed pursuing his love of motorcycles,
- 16 running, and other outdoor activities and taking road trips with
- 17 his family to points of interest throughout the Southwest; and
- 18 WHEREAS, Although his time on this earth was far too brief,
- 19 Joe Monsivais inspired others through his quiet example of hard
- 20 work, compassion, and sincerity, and he leaves behind a record of
- 21 service that his loved ones can remember with pride; now,
- 22 therefore, be it
- 23 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 84th Texas
- 24 Legislature hereby pay tribute to the life of Joe Monsivais and

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- 1 extend deepest sympathy to the members of his family: to his wife,
- 2 Amy; to his daughters, Cassandra and Madeleine; to his son, Thomas;
- 3 to his mother, Estela; to his father, José; to his stepmother,
- 4 Diane; to his siblings, Carolina, Jeannette, Daniel, Sharon, and
- 5 Suzanne; to Thomas and Madeleine's mother, Elizabeth; and to his
- 6 other relatives and many friends; and, be it further
- 7 RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be
- 8 prepared for his family and that when the Texas House of
- 9 Representatives adjourns this day, it do so in memory of Joe
- 10 Monsivais.