

R E S O L U T I O N

1 WHEREAS, Texans everywhere are indebted to the men and women
2 of the law enforcement profession, for by their selfless devotion
3 to the public welfare, they enable us to enjoy the benefits of a
4 peaceful and orderly society; and

5 WHEREAS, Too seldom recognized, and sometimes taken for
6 granted by the public they so faithfully serve, these gallant
7 individuals daily risk their lives in order to ensure domestic
8 tranquility and to protect the lives and property of others; and

9 WHEREAS, Assistant Commander Kenneth J. Starrs of the South
10 Texas Specialized Crimes and Narcotics Task Force exemplified in
11 his personal and professional conduct the singular virtues of
12 courage, integrity, and steadfast resolve, and throughout his 38
13 years, 7 months on the force, his meritorious service embodied the
14 highest ideals of his vocation; and

15 WHEREAS, Killed in the line of duty on November 16, 2016,
16 Commander Starrs will long be missed by his family, his fellow peace
17 officers, and the entire community; and

18 WHEREAS, Though his life ended far too soon, Commander Starrs
19 left behind a record of public service that is deserving of his
20 fellow citizens' lasting respect and gratitude; now, therefore, be
21 it

22 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 85th Texas
23 Legislature hereby pay tribute to the life of Assistant Commander
24 Kenneth J. Starrs and extend deepest sympathy to his relatives,

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1 friends, and fellow officers; and, be it further

2 RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be
3 prepared for his family and that when the Texas House of
4 Representatives adjourns this day, it do so in memory of Assistant
5 Commander Kenneth J. Starrs.

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Speaker of the House

I certify that H.R. No. 1119 was unanimously adopted by a rising vote of the House on April 6, 2017.

Chief Clerk of the House