

R E S O L U T I O N

1           WHEREAS, Words cannot adequately express the sorrow felt by  
2 the family, friends, and colleagues of Detective Jerry Ronald  
3 Walker of the Little Elm Police Department, who was killed in the  
4 line of duty on January 17, 2017, at the age of 47; and

5           WHEREAS, Born in Tyler on November 10, 1969, Jerry Walker  
6 graduated from J. P. Taravella High School in 1989 and went on to  
7 serve his country in the United States Army during Operation Desert  
8 Storm; he joined the Little Elm Police Department in 1998, working  
9 for a time as a school resource officer at Little Elm High before  
10 being promoted to detective in 2013; and

11           WHEREAS, Detective Walker embraced the role of law  
12 enforcement to serve and protect the public; a member of the SWAT  
13 team and a certified hostage negotiator, he was also certified as an  
14 advanced peace officer and earned distinction as an expert marksman  
15 at police rifle competitions; he further benefited his community by  
16 participating in volunteer work alongside his fellow officers,  
17 which included donating his time to the local Special Olympics; and

18           WHEREAS, This loving family man was deeply devoted to his  
19 four children, Darien, Landon, Jace, and Lexi, and his life was  
20 greatly enriched by the close bonds he shared with his family and  
21 with his brothers and sisters on the force; and

22           WHEREAS, While his untimely death is a tragic loss to the  
23 community he served, those who were fortunate enough to know  
24 Detective Jerry Walker will forever find inspiration in the

1 courage, dedication, and heroism with which he lived his life; now,  
2 therefore, be it

3         RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 85th Texas  
4 Legislature hereby pay tribute to the memory of Detective Jerry  
5 Ronald Walker and extend heartfelt condolences to the members of  
6 his family: to his children, Darien, Landon, Jace, and Lexi Walker;  
7 to his parents, Beverly and Robert Walker; to his father, Jerry R.  
8 Bragg; to his sisters, Peisha Ortiz, Neala Rankin, Danielle Walker,  
9 and Amanda Bragg; to his brother, Bryan Bragg; to his grandmothers,  
10 Louise Guthrie and Louise Walker; to his girlfriend, Hali Grooms;  
11 and to his other relatives and friends; and, be it further

12         RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be  
13 prepared for his family and that when the Texas House of  
14 Representatives adjourns this day, it do so in memory of Jerry  
15 Walker.

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H.R. No. 1157

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Speaker of the House

I certify that H.R. No. 1157 was unanimously adopted by a rising vote of the House on April 6, 2017.

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Chief Clerk of the House