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R E S O L U T I O N

1 WHEREAS, Sergeant Earl "Dub" Gillum of the Texas Highway
2 Patrol demonstrated remarkable skill and composure on October 5,
3 2016, when he saved the life of a man suffering a heart attack; and

4 WHEREAS, On that day, Sergeant Gillum observed a stranded
5 motorist with a flat tire on the shoulder of U.S. Highway 377; after
6 approaching him to offer assistance, the officer noticed that the
7 man appeared ill and offered to change his tire; moments later, the
8 man cried out in pain before falling unconscious; and

9 WHEREAS, Sergeant Gillum immediately called for emergency
10 medical services and started first aid on the motorist, whom he
11 later learned was experiencing diastolic heart failure; the officer
12 eased him into a position on the ground where he could breathe and
13 then worked to clear his airway to prevent him from asphyxiating;
14 thanks to Sergeant Gillum's swift and effective response, the man
15 survived and was subsequently rushed to a nearby hospital for
16 treatment; Sergeant Gillum was later presented with a DPS
17 Lifesaving Award for his actions; and

18 WHEREAS, A veteran peace officer, Dub Gillum has dedicated
19 more than 25 years to the Texas Highway Patrol; in addition to his
20 work as a patrolman, he serves his department as the public
21 information and safety education officer, a position that involves
22 interacting with the media, relaying important information to other
23 state agencies, and educating area residents, including children,
24 about safety matters; and

1 WHEREAS, By expertly applying his training in a dire
2 situation, Sergeant Dub Gillum helped to avert a tragedy, and his
3 actions have distinguished him as a truly outstanding member of the
4 law enforcement profession; now, therefore, be it

5 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 85th Texas
6 Legislature hereby commend Sergeant Dub Gillum for rendering
7 lifesaving aid to a fellow Texan and extend to him sincere best
8 wishes for the future; and, be it further

9 RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be
10 prepared for Sergeant Gillum as an expression of high regard by the
11 Texas House of Representatives.