H.C.R. No. 132

HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

1 WHEREAS, Words cannot adequately express the sorrow felt by 2 the family, friends, and colleagues of Officer Nathan "Hayden" 3 Heidelberg of the Midland Police Department, who tragically lost 4 his life in the line of duty on March 5, 2019, at the age of 28; and

5 WHEREAS, Born on December 2, 1990, Hayden Heidelberg was the 6 cherished son of Nathan and Glendene Heidelberg and the loving 7 brother of three sisters, Amy, Molly, and Heidi; he was raised in 8 Midland and graduated from Midland High School in 2009 before going 9 on to study at Midland College and Sul Ross State University, where 10 he graduated with a bachelor's degree in biology; and

11 WHEREAS, After completing his police training in 2014, 12 Officer Heidelberg joined the force in Midland; he embraced his 13 calling and enjoyed having the opportunity to serve the community 14 in which he grew up, and he had fond memories of taking trips with 15 his fellow officers; and

16 WHEREAS, A man of many talents and interests, Officer 17 Heidelberg played guitar with a local band called Rocky and the 18 Rhinestones; he also had a love of soccer, ice hockey, and snow 19 skiing and practiced mixed martial arts; moreover, he spent many 20 happy hours out on the lake, where he took pleasure in wakeboarding 21 and waterskiing when he was not driving the boat for others; and

22 WHEREAS, Officer Heidelberg's family was deeply important to 23 him, and he was a role model to his younger relatives, including his 24 beloved nieces, nephews, and cousins; he endeared himself to

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1 friends from all walks of life, and those who were blessed with his
2 friendship knew him as a man who always kept his word and who was
3 always willing to help out in any way he could; and

WHEREAS, Through his courage, integrity, and dedication to duty, Officer Heidelberg represented the finest tradition of law enforcement, and he will be remembered with lasting admiration by his loved ones, his fellow officers, and the community he served so proudly; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That the 86th Legislature of the State of Texas 9 10 hereby pay tribute to the life of Nathan Hayden Heidelberg and extend heartfelt condolences to the members of his family: to his 11 parents, Nathan and Glendene Heidelberg; to his sisters, Amy Balch 12 and her husband, Chris, Molly James and her husband, Richard, and 13 14 Heidi McShan; to his nieces and nephews, Joel and Luke Balch, 15 Danielle and Cheyenne Highley, Ryan and Rhett James, Drew Ferris, and Audie and Ashton McShan; to his aunts, uncles, and cousins; to 16 17 his brothers and sisters in blue; and to his other relatives and friends; and, be it further 18

19 RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be 20 prepared for his family and that when the Texas House of 21 Representatives and Senate adjourn this day, they do so in memory of 22 Hayden Heidelberg.

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President of the Senate

Speaker of the House

I certify that H.C.R. No. 132 was unanimously adopted by a rising vote of the House on March 21, 2019.

Chief Clerk of the House

I certify that H.C.R. No. 132 was unanimously adopted by a rising vote of the Senate on March 26, 2019.

Secretary of the Senate

APPROVED: _____

Date

Governor