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H.C.R. No. 132

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

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

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

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

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.