

R E S O L U T I O N

1 WHEREAS, The Waxahachie Police Department is mourning the
2 loss of a dedicated and beloved member of its police dog unit, K-9
3 officer Cross, who passed away on March 25, 2019, after seven years
4 of service; and

5 WHEREAS, A Belgian Malinois mix, Cross worked in the field
6 alongside Corporal Chance Huckabee, who came to regard him as a
7 member of his family; the pair's unbreakable bond carried them
8 through 290 deployments, during which Cross achieved a reliability
9 rate of more than 90 percent and assisted with numerous arrests and
10 drug seizures; and

11 WHEREAS, Dual-trained in both narcotics detection and
12 apprehension, Cross showcased his skills by winning first place in
13 the United States Police Canine Association Region 20 competition
14 in 2016; he had the unique ability among police dogs to quickly
15 adapt to any situation, and he was known to transition seamlessly
16 from being a gentle canine ambassador for the department on visits
17 to elementary schools to being a tenacious tracker on hunts for
18 suspected criminals; having enjoyed a long career with the
19 department, he was set to retire next year to live with Corporal
20 Huckabee and his family; and

21 WHEREAS, Although the death of this exemplary police dog has
22 brought great sadness to many, Cross will forever be remembered for
23 the courage and enthusiasm with which he performed his duties as
24 well as for the special camaraderie he shared with his handler and

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1 colleagues; now, therefore, be it

2 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 86th Texas
3 Legislature hereby honor the service of K-9 officer Cross of the
4 Waxahachie Police Department.

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Speaker of the House

I certify that H.R. No. 1382 was adopted by the House on May 3, 2019, by a non-record vote.

Chief Clerk of the House