

R E S O L U T I O N

1           WHEREAS, Officer David C. Barnett III of the Fort Worth  
2 Police Department demonstrated great compassion, composure, and  
3 professionalism in response to an emergency on October 17, 2020;  
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5           WHEREAS, On that date, Officer Barnett was called to the home  
6 of a man who was threatening to shoot himself; Officer Barnett spoke  
7 calmly with the man and appealed to his religious faith to convince  
8 him to reconsider, and he ultimately succeeded in persuading the  
9 man to surrender his weapon and consent to receiving mental health  
10 treatment; and

11           WHEREAS, Officer Barnett served in the United States Navy for  
12 10 years before deciding to follow in his father's footsteps by  
13 pursuing a career in law enforcement; he earned his bachelor's  
14 degree in criminal justice from Columbia College, and he first  
15 worked for the Dallas Police Department for three years; he has  
16 served with the Fort Worth Police Department for the past four  
17 years, and he is currently assigned as a South Division patrol  
18 officer; and

19           WHEREAS, Through his skillful handling of a difficult  
20 situation, Officer David Barnett helped avert a potential tragedy,  
21 and he has distinguished himself as a credit to his department and  
22 to the law enforcement community; now, therefore, be it

23           RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 87th Texas  
24 Legislature hereby commend Officer David C. Barnett III for his

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1 lifesaving actions on October 17, 2020, and extend to him sincere  
2 best wishes for continued success with his important work; and, be  
3 it further

4       RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be  
5 prepared for Officer Barnett as an expression of high regard by the  
6 Texas House of Representatives.

Romero, Jr.

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Speaker of the House

I certify that H.R. No. 472 was adopted by the House on April 9, 2021, by a non-record vote.

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Chief Clerk of the House