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RESOLUTION

- 1 WHEREAS, The untimely passing of Killeen firefighter and
- 2 paramedic Patrick Michael Bergman on March 5, 2021, at the age of
- 3 37, has brought a heartbreaking loss to the family, friends, and
- 4 colleagues of this dedicated public servant; and
- 5 WHEREAS, Born in Austin on December 31, 1983, to Pamela and
- 6 Stephen Bergman, Patrick Bergman grew up with the companionship of
- 7 a sister, Shannan; ever since he was a boy, he had dreamed of
- 8 serving his community as a firefighter, and he began his career with
- 9 the Round Rock Volunteer Fire Department; after completing his
- 10 training at the Austin Community College Fire Academy in 2004, he
- 11 joined the Killeen Fire Department in April 2005; and
- WHEREAS, During 15 years with that department, Mr. Bergman
- 13 became a paramedic, received certifications as a fire instructor,
- 14 taught at the Killeen Fire Training Academy, and served in the Honor
- 15 Guard; he was named Firefighter of the Year in 2015, and in
- 16 recognition of his service as a dispatcher for the Bell County
- 17 Communications Center, he was also honored as Dispatcher of the
- 18 Year in 2012 and 2013; during the past year, he had become an active
- 19 volunteer for the Firefighter Cancer Support Network, and he
- 20 reached out to support other firefighters who had been recently
- 21 diagnosed with cancer; and
- WHEREAS, Mr. Bergman was engaged to be married to Lacey
- 23 Turner, and the relationship he shared with his fiancée was a source
- 24 of much happiness to him; he loved taking their dogs to the park,

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- 1 and he also enjoyed attending sporting events and working in the
- 2 yard; he cherished his family, including his niece and nephews, and
- 3 he was a valued congregant at Vista Community Church, as well as a
- 4 volunteer on the church's host team; and
- 5 WHEREAS, Patrick Bergman devoted his life to protecting and
- 6 serving his fellow citizens, and although he is greatly missed, the
- 7 memory of this courageous and selfless man will forever be
- 8 treasured by those he leaves behind; now, therefore, be it
- 9 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 87th Texas
- 10 Legislature hereby pay tribute to the life of Patrick Michael
- 11 Bergman and extend heartfelt condolences to the members of his
- 12 family: to his fiancée, Lacey Turner; to his parents, Stephen and
- 13 Pamela Bergman; to his sister, Shannan Bergman; to his grandmother,
- 14 Norma Cyrus; to his uncles and aunts, Dan and Lisa Cannistra, Chris
- 15 and Kelly Cyrus, Tim and Lori Dillon, and Brian Cyrus; to his niece
- 16 and nephews, Christian, Ethan, and Lillian Berg and Jake and Ryan
- 17 Sexton; and to his other relatives and friends; and, be it further
- 18 RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be
- 19 prepared for his family and that when the Texas House of
- 20 Representatives adjourns this day, it do so in memory of Patrick
- 21 Bergman.

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Speaker of the House

I certify that H.R. No. 518 was unanimously adopted by a rising vote of the House on April 9, 2021.

Chief Clerk of the House