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H.R. No. 518

R E S O L U T I O N

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

12 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

22 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,

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.