1-1 By: Flores S.C.R. No. 46 1-2 1-3 (In the Senate - Filed April 18, 2023; April 24, 2023, read and referred to Committee on Administration; reported adversely, with favorable Committee first time and 1-4 2023, May 1 1-5 Substitute by the following vote: Yeas 4, Nays 0; May 1, 2023, sent 1-6 to printer.)

## COMMITTEE VOTE 1-7 1-8 Absent PNV Yea Nay 1-9 Hall Х 1-10 1-11 Springer Х Х Alvarado 1-12 χ Johnson 1-13 Х Menéndez Х 1-14 Middleton 1-15 Parker

1-16 COMMITTEE SUBSTITUTE FOR S.C.R. No. 46

By: Springer

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## SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

1-18 WHEREAS, Texas game wardens devote themselves to the 1-19 protection of the state's natural resources, and since 1895, 20 of 1-20 these dedicated public servants have tragically lost their lives 1-21 while fulfilling their important duties; and 1-22 WHEREAS, Game wardens, as certified peace officers, are

1-22 WHEREAS, Game wardens, as certified peace officers, are 1-23 responsible for preserving the peace and enforcing the game, fish, 1-24 and water safety laws of Texas, which include, but are not limited 1-25 to, apprehending poachers and other individuals who ignore wildlife 1-26 law; many of the criminals that game wardens encounter have also 1-27 ventured into other illegal activities, such as theft or the drug 1-28 trade, and because game wardens are often patrolling areas with 1-29 hunters, loaded guns are a constant in their work; the myriad 1-30 challenges of the job may put them in harm's way at any time; and

1-31 WHEREAS, To honor those who died in the line of duty, the Game
1-32 Warden Peace Officers Association has commissioned a Game Warden
1-33 Memorial to be designed and sculpted to the Association's
1-34 specifications, and be dedicated to the memory of Joe Williams,
1-35 Harry Raymond, Dawson Richard Murchison, R. M. Wynne, Gus Engeling,
1-36 Claude Keller, J. D. Murphree, Joe Evans, Lloyd Gustin, Ronnie
1-37 Germany, James Daughtrey, Barry Decker, Bruce Hill, Michael
1-38 Pauling, Wes Wagstaff, Justin Hurst, Teyran "Ty" Patterson, George
1-39 Harold Whatley Jr., James Birmingham, and Chris Wilson; and

1-40 WHEREAS, Many Texans are unaware of the sacrifices made by 1-41 game wardens; the placement of the monument at the State Capitol, 1-42 however, would help the public gain a greater understanding of the 1-43 vital mission of Texas game wardens and of the extraordinary 1-44 commitment they make to upholding the laws of our state and 1-45 protecting its natural resources; now, therefore, be it

1-46 RESOLVED, That the 88th Legislature of the State of Texas 1-47 hereby authorize the State Preservation Board, subject to state law 1-48 and rules of the board, to approve the placement of the Texas Game 1-49 Warden Memorial at the State Capitol Complex, at a site outside of 1-50 the historic Capitol grounds; and, be it further

1-51 RESOLVED, That the board consider a site south of the Sam 1-52 Houston Building for the location of the memorial; and, be it 1-53 further

1-54 RESOLVED, That the Texas secretary of state forward an 1-55 official copy of this resolution to the executive director of the 1-56 State Preservation Board and to the chair and president of the Game 1-57 Warden Peace Officers Association.

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