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## RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, A life made rich through meaningful service drew to
 a close with the passing of James Bobbitt of the Flower Mound Fire
 Department on December 12, 2024, at the age of 50; and

WHEREAS, Born on August 23, 1974, to Daniel and Glenda Bobbitt, James Bobbitt grew up in Springtown with the companionship of a brother, Tommy; he worked as a volunteer firefighter in his hometown for a decade, and he was recognized with the Rookie of the Year award; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Bobbitt went on to join the Flower Mound Fire 9 Department in 2007; during his 17-year tenure, he was twice named 10 11 Firefighter of the Year, and he was widely admired for his skill and 12 composure under pressure; over the years, he readily gave advice and encouragement to anyone who needed it, and he served as a mentor 13 14 to many recruits; after being diagnosed with esophageal cancer, he made it his mission to see the disease added to the state's list of 15 16 presumptive cancers for firefighters in order to ensure that others with the condition more easily receive much-needed support; his 17 fellow firefighters have since taken on the cause; and 18

WHEREAS, In all his endeavors, Mr. Bobbitt enjoyed the love and support of his wife, Amy, and he was deeply devoted to his daughter, Addison, and stepchildren, CJ, Rachael, Hillary, and Justin; and

23 WHEREAS, James Bobbitt dedicated his life to protecting his 24 fellow citizens, and although he is missed, he leaves behind a

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1 record of service that his loved ones can remember with pride; now,
2 therefore, be it

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RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 89th Texas Legislature hereby pay tribute to the memory of James Bobbitt and extend deepest sympathy to the members of his family, his friends, and his colleagues; and, be it further

7 RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be 8 prepared for his family and that when the Texas House of 9 Representatives adjourns this day, it do so in memory of James 10 Bobbitt.

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