

R E S O L U T I O N

1 WHEREAS, Deputy Jesus "Jesse" Vargas of the Brazoria County  
2 Sheriff's Office was killed in the line of duty on January 15, 2025,  
3 at the age of 41, and his untimely passing is a tragic loss to his  
4 family, to his fellow officers, and to the residents of his  
5 community; and

6 WHEREAS, Born on April 28, 1983, to Felix and Genoveva  
7 Vargas, Jesse Vargas grew up with the companionship of his seven  
8 siblings, Francisco, Guadalupe, Marisol, Felix, Eduardo, Benito,  
9 and Susanna; he went on to exchange wedding vows with Digna Emerita  
10 Bonilla, and the couple were blessed with three daughters,  
11 Josephine, Breanna, and Sofia; he was also a beloved uncle to many  
12 nieces and nephews; and

13 WHEREAS, As a 17-year veteran of law enforcement, Deputy  
14 Vargas dedicated his life to protecting and serving his community;  
15 he was a pillar of support to those around him, both on and off the  
16 job, and his compassion and devotion to duty left a lasting  
17 impression on his colleagues and fellow citizens alike; and

18 WHEREAS, Deputy Jesse Vargas was a courageous and caring law  
19 enforcement officer who embodied the highest ideals of his  
20 profession, and he will forever be remembered with admiration and  
21 affection by those he leaves behind; now, therefore, be it

22 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 89th Texas  
23 Legislature hereby pay tribute to the memory of Jesus "Jesse"  
24 Vargas and extend deepest condolences to all those who mourn his

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1 passing: to his wife, Digna Emerita Bonilla; to his daughters,  
2 Josephine Marie Vargas, Breanna Emerita Vargas, and Sofia Isabelle  
3 Vargas; to his parents, Felix Vargas Sr. and Genoveva Vargas; to his  
4 siblings, Francisco Vargas, Guadalupe Vargas and her husband,  
5 Rafael Cruz, Marisol Vargas Gamboa and her husband, Ruben, Felix  
6 Vargas Jr. and his wife, Cindy, Eduardo Vargas and his wife,  
7 Francine, Benito Vargas and his wife, Crystal, and Susanna Cabrera  
8 and her husband, Luis; to his mother-in-law, Anna Bonilla; to his  
9 sisters-in-law, Susana Celestino and her husband, Jose, and Emily  
10 Cruz and her husband, Alberto; to his law enforcement partner of six  
11 years, Chase Grupe; and to his other relatives, his friends, and his  
12 brothers and sisters in blue; and, be it further

13       RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be  
14 prepared for his family and that when the Texas House of  
15 Representatives adjourns this day, it do so in memory of Jesus  
16 "Jesse" Vargas.

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Speaker of the House

I certify that H.R. No. 140 was unanimously adopted by a rising vote of the House on March 6, 2025.

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Chief Clerk of the House