

SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 113

BY SENATOR PEACOCK AND REPRESENTATIVE CARMODY

A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

To express the sincere condolences of the Legislature of Louisiana upon the death of Orange County, Florida Deputy and Louisiana native, Jonathan Scott Pine.

WHEREAS, it is with deep regret and profound sorrow that the Legislature of Louisiana has learned of the death of Deputy Jonathan Scott Pine, who was shot and killed in the line of duty on February 11, 2014; and

WHEREAS, Deputy Pine was born in Shreveport, Louisiana, on July 12, 1979, to Robert and Donna Pine and grew up in Bossier City, Louisiana, graduating from Airline High School in 1997; and

WHEREAS, Scott attended Louisiana Tech University where he received a Masters of Business Administration degree, and where he met and fell in love with his future wife, Bridget; and

WHEREAS, Scott and Bridget subsequently moved to Orlando, Florida, where they were blessed with three children, a daughter, Haley, and two sons, Ryker and Maddox, and where he successfully worked in the banking industry for eight years before answering the call to serve as a law enforcement officer; and

WHEREAS, he joined the Orange County Sheriff's Office in 2011, and upon completion of his training, was assigned as a patrol officer protecting the citizens of Orange County; and

WHEREAS, early on the morning of February 11, 2014, while it was still dark, Deputy Pine was investigating a series of car burglaries and attempting to apprehend a fleeing suspect. Deputy Pine chased the suspect, a wanted felon armed with a 9mm handgun, into a nearby backyard where he was ambushed. Two shots struck Deputy Pine's bulletproof vest, and a third pierced his chest; and

WHEREAS, despite the valiant attempts of emergency responders to save his life, Deputy Pine succumbed to his wounds in the line of duty; and

WHEREAS, Deputy Pine's life and his sacrifice demonstrate the bravery, courage, heroism, honor, and devotion to duty representative of the law enforcement officers of Louisiana, Florida, and throughout the United States; and

WHEREAS, Scott is survived by his beloved wife, Bridget, their three beautiful children, Haley, Ryker, and Maddox, his mother, Donna Pine Robinson, his father, Robert Pine, and his sister, Angela Pine Mills, and the many thousands of brothers and sisters who wear the shield, carry on his legacy, and proudly stand on the thin blue line every day; and

WHEREAS, the success of the state of Louisiana, the strength of our communities, and the overall vitality of American society depend in great measure on courageous, brave, heroic men like Jonathan Scott Pine.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Legislature of Louisiana does hereby mourn the passing of Deputy Jonathan Scott Pine, and expresses their heartfelt sympathies and condolences to his family and friends, and honors his life and accomplishments, and records for posterity his devotion to duty and his sacrifice in defense of the citizens whose lives he protected.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a copy of this Resolution be transmitted to the family of Deputy Jonathan Scott Pine, and the Sheriff of Orange County, Florida.

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PRESIDENT OF THE SENATE

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SPEAKER OF THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES