

ENROLLED SENATE  
RESOLUTION NO. 6

By: Coffee

A Resolution commending two Oklahoma State University students for saving a police officer's life; praising their heroism; and directing distribution.

WHEREAS, on Sunday, January 9, 2005, Preston Hunter, a freshman Secondary Education major at Oklahoma State University, and Eric Ogburn, a freshman Municipal Fire Protection major at Oklahoma State University—Oklahoma City, were driving westbound on 39th street in northwest Oklahoma City, Oklahoma, when they saw that an Oklahoma City police car had crashed into a concrete barrier; and

WHEREAS, Preston Hunter and Eric Ogburn, after stopping their vehicle, approached the wreckage to see if anyone needed help. The students noticed that the occupant of the police car, an Oklahoma City police officer, was barely conscious and his face was covered with blood; and

WHEREAS, Eric Ogburn immediately called 911 on his cell phone while Preston Hunter, noticing smoke and flames coming out from under the hood of the cruiser, informed the injured officer of the danger and then lifted and carried the officer, who had two broken legs, from the police car to a place of safety just seconds before flames completely engulfed the vehicle; and

WHEREAS, Preston Hunter and Eric Ogburn were aware as the heat from the flames increased that they had no choice but to move the officer again despite the fact he was in enormous pain. Within minutes emergency help arrived and the police officer was transported to a local hospital; and

WHEREAS, Preston Hunter and Eric Ogburn got involved regardless of the danger to themselves and provided needed assistance in a tragic accident. The emergency medical personnel testified that had the two hesitated for even a few seconds, the police officer would have perished due to the flames from his burning car.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE OF THE 1ST SESSION OF THE 50TH OKLAHOMA LEGISLATURE:

THAT the Oklahoma State Legislature commends Preston Hunter and Eric Ogburn, for risking their own lives to save the life of another.

THAT the Oklahoma State Legislature praises Preston Hunter and Eric Ogburn for their willingness, without hesitation, to become immediately involved in a life-threatening situation.

THAT a copy of this resolution be distributed to Preston Hunter and his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Steele Hunter; Eric Ogburn and his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Randy Ogburn; and Oklahoma State University President David J. Schmidly.

Adopted by the Senate the 1st day of March, 2005.

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Presiding Officer of the Senate