

1 STATE OF OKLAHOMA

2 1st Session of the 51st Legislature (2007)

3 SENATE
4 RESOLUTION 22

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6 AS INTRODUCED

7 A Resolution praising the life of Daniel C. Martinez;
8 extending condolences; and directing distribution.

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10 WHEREAS, Daniel Cruz Martinez, Junior, was born on July 1, 1973,
11 in Oxnard, California; and

12 WHEREAS, Officer Martinez served for several years with the
13 Poteau and Panama, Oklahoma, Police Departments. He then served as
14 Chief of Police of the Shady Point Police Department, followed by
15 serving as Chief of Police of the Wister Police Department. After
16 twelve years of service in Oklahoma police departments, Officer
17 Martinez joined the Fort Smith, Arkansas, Police Department on July
18 3, 2006; and

19 WHEREAS, Officer Martinez was a resident of Summerfield in
20 LeFlore County, Oklahoma, where he lived with his wife and five
21 children. Officer Martinez coached Little League and was a race car
22 driver in a regional circuit; and

23 WHEREAS, Officer Daniel C. Martinez, 33 years of age, was shot
24 to death at 9:42 p.m. Saturday night, March 24, 2007, in Fort Smith,

1 Arkansas. Officer Martinez was providing protection for a woman who
2 was picking up her son from her ex-boyfriend's home. Officer
3 Martinez was later declared dead at Sparks Regional Medical Center;
4 and

5 WHEREAS, Daniel Martinez had a reputation as a "go-getter" who
6 excelled at whatever he did. Officer Martinez had a sense of humor
7 and was known for being sharp and on his toes. He got along with
8 everyone, was well liked by his fellow police officers, and was
9 respected by all who knew him; and

10 WHEREAS, funeral services will be held Friday, March 30, 2007,
11 in both Fort Smith, Arkansas, and Poteau, Oklahoma.

12 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE OF THE 1ST SESSION
13 OF THE 51ST OKLAHOMA LEGISLATURE:

14 THAT the Oklahoma State Senate praises the life and professional
15 career of the late Officer Daniel C. Martinez.

16 THAT the Oklahoma State Senate deploras the senseless, tragic
17 death of Officer Daniel C. Martinez and on behalf of the citizens of
18 the State of Oklahoma extends its most heartfelt condolences to his
19 family, friends, coworkers, and community.

20 THAT a copy of this resolution be distributed to Officer Daniel
21 C. Martinez's wife, Alice.

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