

ENROLLED SENATE
RESOLUTION NO. 6

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A Resolution expressing appreciation to Staff
Sergeant Matthew Treadwell and gratitude for the
recovery of Jackson County Sheriff's Deputy Kevin
Walker; and directing distribution.

WHEREAS, the national police week shootout competition at Altus
Air Force Base ended smoothly thanks to the quick thinking and
training of Air Force Staff Sergeant Matthew Treadwell. Staff
Sergeant Treadwell saved the life of Jackson County Sheriff's Office
Deputy Kevin Walker; and

WHEREAS, the story began the morning of May 14, 2009, at Altus
Air Force Base. The base was hosting the National Police Week
shootout competition for local law enforcement and military. Staff

Sergeant Matthew Treadwell was getting ready to leave for the competition, when, in addition to loading the standard first aid kit into his Humvee, he impulsively decided to load the special combat lifesaver kit. The kit would prove to be an invaluable tool in the effort to save Deputy Walker's life; and

WHEREAS, once at the competition, Staff Sergeant Matthew Treadwell began setting up and waiting for his turn to compete. He heard people shouting for a medic because someone was having a stroke, and immediately grabbed the CLS kit and ran to the room where Deputy Kevin Walker was located. Due to his training, Staff Sergeant Matthew Treadwell noticed that Deputy Walker was not having a stroke, but a heart attack. He also removed Deputy Walker's loaded weapon for the safety of everyone in the room; and

WHEREAS, Staff Sergeant Matthew Treadwell then positioned Deputy Walker's head to open up his airway and also checked his vital signs. Special Agent Ross Bergstresser arrived on the scene to help and began performing chest compressions on Deputy Walker. In all, Staff Sergeant Matthew Treadwell and Special Agent Ross Bergstresser performed at least seven cycles of CPR until the paramedics arrived; and

WHEREAS, Staff Sergeant Matthew Treadwell's training through the Air Force gave him the ability and expertise to save Deputy Walker's life. Staff Sergeant Treadwell has completed multiple CPR and medic classes throughout his training, as well as completing the Army Combat Lifesaver course just three weeks prior to the event. Staff Sergeant Matthew Treadwell, along with Special Agent Ross Bergstresser, received the Lifesaver Award from the Altus Fraternal Order of Police for their heroism; and

WHEREAS, thanks to the selfless and heroic acts of Staff Sergeant Matthew Treadwell, Deputy Kevin Walker survived the heart attack and is now fully recovered and back on duty with the Jackson County Sheriff's Office.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE OF THE 1ST SESSION OF THE 53RD OKLAHOMA LEGISLATURE:

THAT the Senate hereby expresses its appreciation to Staff Sergeant Matthew Treadwell and gratitude for the recovery of Jackson County Sheriff's Deputy Kevin Walker.

THAT a copy of this resolution be distributed to Staff Sergeant Matthew Treadwell and Deputy Kevin Walker.

Adopted by the Senate the 8th day of March, 2011.

Presiding Officer of the Senate