

Resolution

ENROLLED SENATE
RESOLUTION NO. 16

By: Standridge, Barrington,
David, Johnson (Rob),
Aldridge, Allen, Anderson,
Ballenger, Bass, Bingman,
Boggs, Branan, Brecheen,
Brinkley, Brooks, Brown,
Burrage, Coates, Crain,
Dahm, Ellis, Fields, Ford,
Garrison, Griffin,
Halligan, Holt, Ivester,
Johnson (Constance),
Jolley, Justice, Loveless,
Marlatt, Mazzei, McAffrey,
Newberry, Paddack, Schulz,
Sharp, Shaw, Shortey,
Shumate, Simpson, Sparks,
Stanislawski, Sykes, Treat
and Wyrick

A Resolution mourning the loss of Oklahoma Highway Patrol Captain Rodrick "Pete" Norwood; honoring his life and outstanding service; expressing condolences to his family; and directing distribution.

WHEREAS, Rodrick "Pete" Norwood was an 18-year veteran and Captain of the Oklahoma Highway Patrol who first joined OHP in 1995, graduating with the 48th patrol class. His assignments included Troop J Enid, Garfield County, Oklahoma City Headquarters Public Information Office, and Troop YC - H.E. Bailey Turnpike before being promoted to Lieutenant in 2005 out of the Public Information Office. He was promoted to Captain in 2007 and assigned to the Oklahoma Highway Safety Office before being assigned as the Executive Officer then Troop Commander for Troop R - Capitol Section in Oklahoma City.

At the time of his death, Captain Norwood was the Department of Public Safety's Legislative Liaison at the State Capitol; and

WHEREAS, Pete Norwood was born on December 16, 1970, to Rodrick and Linda Norwood in Anadarko, where he was raised. Popular among his peers, Pete was a top student, class president and stand-out athlete who played defensive back and quarterback for Anadarko High School. He then went on to play cornerback for Coach Gary Gibbs' Sooners from 1989 to 1992 and was a member of the OU Letterman's Association; and

WHEREAS, Pete was known for his infectious smile and sense of humor as well as his professionalism and dedication. He's been described as the kind of person who only made friends and no enemies; and

WHEREAS, Captain Pete Norwood died unexpectedly on Saturday, March 30, at the young age of 42 leaving behind his wife, Elizabeth, two sons and a step-daughter, his mother, stepfather, brother and many other relatives; and

WHEREAS, Pete will be greatly missed by his family, friends, fellow members of the Oklahoma Highway Patrol, along with legislators and staff at the Oklahoma State Capitol and countless others who were fortunate enough to have known him.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE OF THE 1ST SESSION OF THE 54TH OKLAHOMA LEGISLATURE:

THAT the Oklahoma State Senate, on behalf of all the citizens of this state, mourns the loss of Captain Pete Norwood.

THAT the Oklahoma State Senate honors Captain Norwood's life and outstanding service to the Oklahoma Highway Patrol and the State of Oklahoma.

THAT the Oklahoma State Senate expresses condolences to Captain Norwood's family.

THAT a copy of this resolution be distributed to Captain Norwood's wife, Elizabeth; his mother, Linda; and Department of Public Safety Commissioner, Michael C. Thompson.

Adopted by the Senate the 3rd day of April, 2013.

Eddie Field
Presiding Officer of the Senate

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