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Senator Paxton Files Bill in Honor of Fallen Richardson Officer

Austin, TX - Senator Paxton filed Senate Bill 690 Thursday morning, marking the one-year anniversary of the passing of Richardson Police Officer David Sherrard, who was slain in the line of duty February 7th, 2018.

SB 690 authorizes portions of U.S. Highway 75 to be designated as the "Officer David Sherrard Memorial Highway" along the corridor within the City of Richardson - just south of the President George Bush Turnpike (State Highway 190) and north of the Lyndon B. Johnson Freeway (Interstate 635).

"It is an honor to file Senate Bill 690 in remembrance of a husband, father, officer, and selfless public servant who laid down his life in the line of duty," **said Senator Paxton**. "I pray this memorial highway will comfort Officer Sherrard's family and honor the legacy he instilled in our community and his fellow officers of the Richardson Police Department. I look forward to working with Representative Jeff Leach in getting this legislation passed into law."

Officer David Sherrard faithfully served for thirteen years as a Peace Officer for the Richardson Police Department, ten of those years serving on the SWAT Team. He was tragically killed on February 7, 2018 while responding to a disturbance call within the City of Richardson. Officer Sherrard is survived by his wife, Nicole Sherrard, and daughters Emily and Grace Sherrard, all of Murphy, Texas; sister, Cristal Goings of Mesquite, Texas; brother Mark Sherrard of Mesquite, Texas; and parents, Alvin and Margaret Sherrard of Dallas, Texas.

"The renaming of U.S. 75 to the 'Officer David Sherrard Memorial Highway' is an honor that is justly deserved for our hero," stated Nicole Sherrard. "While his absence from our lives will never be forgotten by our family and friends, this designation guarantees that for generations, people will remember Dave and the sacrifice he made for our community."

Richardson Police Chief Jimmy Spivey issued the following statement: "We are profoundly grateful to Senator Angela Paxton for this legislation that will honor Officer David Sherrard. This Police Department and the citizens of Richardson will always be grateful for the sacrifice made by Officer Sherrard and his family. The naming of U.S. Highway 75 through the Richardson corridor will be an enduring gesture that will forever honor his service to this community."