

By Senator Diaz de la Portilla

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Senate Resolution

A resolution honoring the memory of Officer Roger Castillo and Officer Amanda Haworth of the Miami-Dade County Police Department.

WHEREAS, on January 20, 2011, Officer Roger Castillo of Davie, Florida, a 21-year veteran of the Miami-Dade County Police Department, and Officer Amanda Haworth of Miramar, Florida, a 23-year veteran of the Miami-Dade County Police Department, were shot and killed by a violent fugitive as they attempted to execute a homicide warrant in Miami, Florida, and

WHEREAS, Officer Castillo, who was 41 years of age, leaves behind a wife, Debbie, and three sons, and Officer Haworth, who was 44 years of age, leaves behind a 13-year-old son, and

WHEREAS, Officer Castillo and Officer Haworth risked their lives for the greater good of their community by promoting a safe and secure environment that was free from crime, and

WHEREAS, in the daily performance of their duties as law enforcement officers, Officer Castillo and Officer Haworth not only upheld the principles and values embodied in the United States Constitution and the Constitution of the State of Florida, they also honored the mission statement of the Miami-Dade County Police Department by practicing the department's core values of integrity, respect, service, and fairness throughout their careers and by committing themselves to the highest performance standards, ethical conduct, and truthfulness in all of their relationships, and

WHEREAS, throughout our nation's history, nearly 19,000 members of the law enforcement community have made the ultimate

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30 sacrifice and given their lives while providing for the safety
31 and protection of others, and

32 WHEREAS, in honoring the lives of Officer Roger Castillo
33 and Officer Amanda Haworth for their valiant dedication,
34 sacrifice, and service to the south Florida community, we should
35 also be reminded of the tens of thousands of law enforcement
36 officers who have died similarly in the line of duty and of
37 those law enforcement officers who serve our communities every
38 day to provide for our safety and protection, at risk of the
39 same peril, NOW, THEREFORE,

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41 Be It Resolved by the Senate of the State of Florida:

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43 That the Florida Senate, with great sadness, marks the
44 tragic and untimely passing of Officer Roger Castillo and
45 Officer Amanda Haworth of the Miami-Dade County Police
46 Department.

47 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Florida Senate extends its
48 deepest sympathy and condolences to the families of each
49 officer, and hereby honors Officer Roger Castillo and Officer
50 Amanda Haworth for their 44 years of dedicated service as law
51 enforcement officers to the citizens of Miami-Dade County.

52 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a copy of this resolution be
53 presented to the families of Officer Roger Castillo and Officer
54 Amanda Haworth as a tangible token of the sentiments of the
55 Florida Senate.