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Recognizing Gold Shield Families and affirming that their sacrifices and difficulties should not be forgotten.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

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Mr. MEUSER submitted the following resolution; which was referred to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure

RESOLUTION

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Whereas the United States owes an immeasurable debt of gratitude to the brave men and women who serve as first responders, courageously risking their lives to protect our communities;

Whereas the families of these valiant first responders exhibit unparalleled strength, resilience, and sacrifice, supporting their loved ones in their noble service to our Nation;

Whereas the loss of a first responder in the line of duty is a profound tragedy that leaves an enduring impact on their families, necessitating unwavering support, and recognition from the Nation they served;

Whereas Gold Shield Families are defined as the families of fallen police officers, firefighters, emergency medical technicians (EMTs), correction officers, emergency dispatch officers, and emergency service providers who have tragically lost their lives in the line of duty protecting and serving their communities;

Whereas it is essential to acknowledge and honor the dedication and sacrifices made by the families of fallen first responders, whose unwavering courage and resilience serve as an inspiration to us all; and

Whereas the sacrifices and difficulties faced by Gold Shield Families in the aftermath of the loss of a loved one in the line of duty should not be forgotten, as they continue to endure hardships and challenges while upholding the legacy of their fallen heroes: Now, therefore, be it

1 *Resolved*, by the House of Representatives—

2 (1) that Gold Shield Families, consisting of the
3 families of fallen police officers, firefighters, emer-
4 gency medical technicians (EMTs), correction offi-
5 cers, emergency dispatch officers, and emergency
6 service providers, are hereby recognized and honored
7 for their immeasurable sacrifices and steadfast sup-
8 port of their loved ones in service to our Nation;

9 (2) that this recognition stands as a testament
10 to the enduring gratitude and appreciation of the
11 United States for the tremendous contributions and
12 sacrifices made by Gold Shield Families; and

1 (3) that a copy of this resolution be transmitted
2 to the President of the United States and made pub-
3 licly available to honor and recognize Gold Shield
4 Families for their sacrifices and unwavering support
5 of our Nation's first responders and emergency serv-
6 ice providers, affirming that their sacrifices and dif-
7 ficulties should not be forgotten.

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