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2 84th General Assembly
3 Second Extraordinary Session, 2003
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Call Item ##

HMR 1003

5 By: Representatives R. Smith, Mathis, Moore, Mack
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8 HOUSE MEMORIAL RESOLUTION

9 MOURNING THE DEATH OF JOHNNY POPE AND HONORING
10 HIM AS A TRUE ARKANSAS HERO.

11 Subtitle

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17 WHEREAS, the giving of one's own life to save others is one of the most
18 noble acts a man can commit toward his fellow man, requiring a rare
19 combination of selflessness, courage, kindness, and respect for human life;
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22 WHEREAS, on November 4, 2003, Johnny Pope of Royal, Arkansas, died at
23 the age of fifty-six (56) from an explosion while driving his flaming truck
24 away from the gas pumps at a local Garland County service station thereby
25 saving the lives of innocent patrons, bystanders, and employees; and
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27 WHEREAS, Mr. Pope was known and loved as a brave and kind-hearted man,
28 always willing to help others in need; and
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30 WHEREAS, it came as no surprise to those who knew Johnny Pope that he
31 was willing to risk his life to save others; and
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33 WHEREAS, an overwhelming number of persons have signed petitions and
34 voiced their support for Johnny Pope to be recognized and honored
35 posthumously for his heroic actions,
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1 NOW THEREFORE,
2 BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE EIGHTY-FOURTH GENERAL
3 ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ARKANSAS:

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 THAT the House mourns the death of Johnny Pope and honors him as a true
Arkansas hero.