



**RCA  
CITY OF AUSTIN  
RECOMMENDATION FOR COUNCIL ACTION**

**AGENDA ITEM NO.: 17  
AGENDA DATE: Thu 03/24/2005  
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**SUBJECT:** Approve a resolution naming the weapons firing range at the Austin Police Academy located at 4800 Shaw Lane, Austin, Texas as the "Drew Alan Bolin Firing Range."

**AMOUNT & SOURCE OF FUNDING:** N/A

**FISCAL NOTE:** There is no unanticipated fiscal impact. A fiscal note is not required.

**REQUESTING Police  
DEPARTMENT:**

**DIRECTOR'S  
AUTHORIZATION: Rick Coy**

**FOR MORE INFORMATION CONTACT:** Rick Coy, Assistant Police Chief; Yuki Miyamoto, 974-5853

**PRIOR COUNCIL ACTION:** N/A

**BOARD AND COMMISSION ACTION:** N/A

**PURCHASING:** N/A

**MBE / WBE:** N/A

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This resolution recommends the naming of the APD weapons firing range in memory of Officer Drew Alan Bolin who was killed on June 2, 1995, when struck by a drunk driver as he directed traffic around a major collision in the 4800 blk. N. IH35, northbound. This facility naming honors Officer Bolin for his dedication to the City and the department.

## **Resolution No. \_\_\_\_\_**

**WHEREAS**, Drew Alan Bolin joined the Austin Police Department as a member of the 85<sup>th</sup> Cadet Class on July 11, 1994 and was commissioned as a Police Officer on January 6, 1995; and

**WHEREAS**, Officer Drew Bolin was assigned to the Patrol Bureau in the Central East Area Command, and became Unit "Charlie 306"; and

**WHEREAS**, Officer Drew Bolin was excited and proud to be an Austin Police Officer; and

**WHEREAS**, on June 2, 1995 Officer Drew Bolin was directing traffic at the scene of a serious injury collision in the northbound lanes of the 4800 block of IH 35; and

**WHEREAS**, Officer Bolin was standing in the left lane, behind lighted traffic flares and where both the left and middle lanes were also blocked off by police vehicles with emergency lights (overheads) flashing to warn approaching traffic; and

**WHEREAS**, despite the precautions taken, Officer Bolin was struck by a vehicle traveling northbound on IH35, driven by a person later determined to have been driving under the influence of alcohol; and which vehicle, after striking Officer Bolin, continued traveling along the roadway until it later ran into a wrecker also parked at the scene and was finally stopped; and

**WHEREAS**, despite heroic efforts by fellow officers and emergency medical personnel, Officer Drew Alan Bolin died as a result of the injuries sustained from the impact; and

**WHEREAS**, APD Badge #83 was retired at the end of Officer Bolin's funeral;

and the name of Officer Drew Alan Bolin was inscribed, in memoriam, on the wall of the National Police Officers' Memorial located in Washington, D.C.; and

**WHEREAS**, Officer Bolin was posthumously awarded the Police Cross for heroic sacrifice; and

**WHEREAS**, despite Officer Bolin's very short tenure with the Austin Police Department he had received several written commendations from residents and had already earned the respect and confidence of fellow officers and supervisors; and

**WHEREAS**, due to Officer Drew Alan Bolin's interest in the quality of firearms equipment used by officers of the Austin Police Department and the training they received with those weapons; and

**WHEREAS**, memorial donations received by the Bolin Family were used to purchase semi-automatic pistols for use in future training at the Austin Police Academy Firing Range; **NOW THEREFORE**,

**BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF AUSTIN:**

That in accordance with Section 15-7-22 of the City Code, the Council hereby authorizes the weapons firing range at the Austin Police Academy located at 4800 Shaw Lane, Austin, Texas be from this date forward known and recognized as the **Drew Alan Bolin Firing Range** at the Austin Police Academy.

ADOPTED: \_\_\_\_\_, 2004

ATTEST: \_\_\_\_\_

Shirley A. Brown  
City Clerk