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R E S O L U T I O N

1 WHEREAS, The Lubbock Police Department is celebrating its
2 100th anniversary in 2021, and this occasion provides a fitting
3 opportunity to reflect on the department's proud history of service
4 to the community; and

5 WHEREAS, On May 7, 1921, Lubbock mayor C. E. Parks appointed
6 C. S. Middleton as the chief of police, an action that would be one
7 of the first steps toward establishing an official police
8 department for the City of Lubbock; by 1925, the department had a
9 police force of eight officers, and over the decades that followed,
10 it continued to grow to keep pace with the community; and

11 WHEREAS, Today, the Lubbock Police Department employs
12 approximately 450 sworn officers and 130 civilian staff, and its
13 skilled personnel bring a range of expertise to its Crisis
14 Intervention Team, SWAT team, K-9 and Mounted Units, Homeless
15 Outreach Team, Lake Patrol unit, and other specialized squads; the
16 department's mission is to enhance the quality of life in the city
17 by working cooperatively with the public to prevent crime, enforce
18 laws, preserve the peace, and ensure the safety of all residents;
19 and

20 WHEREAS, As the Lubbock Police Department celebrates 100
21 years of service throughout 2021, officers will have the option to
22 wear a special centennial badge featuring a windmill, a cotton
23 boll, and the words "Hub of the Plains" in tribute to their city's
24 unique identity; during this time, an exhibit documenting the

1 department's history, which was curated by historian Monte Monroe
2 with the assistance of Lubbock Police Sergeant Brandon Price, will
3 also be on display in the lobby of Citizens Tower; and

4 WHEREAS, Under the leadership of Chief Floyd Mitchell, the
5 men and women of the Lubbock Police Department continue to carry
6 forward the department's legacy of dedicated public service, and
7 their contributions are indeed worthy of recognition; now,
8 therefore, be it

9 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 87th Texas
10 Legislature hereby honor the Lubbock Police Department on its 100th
11 anniversary and extend to its officers and staff sincere best
12 wishes for the future; and, be it further

13 RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be
14 prepared for the Lubbock Police Department as an expression of high
15 regard by the Texas House of Representatives.