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R E S O L U T I O N

1 WHEREAS, Rear Admiral Samuel Perez Jr., a survivor of the  
2 terrorist attacks on September 11, 2001, has rendered outstanding  
3 service to his country throughout his tenure in the U.S. Navy; and

4 WHEREAS, Samuel Perez Jr. entered the United States Naval  
5 Academy in 1976, and he graduated in 1980 with a bachelor's degree  
6 in political science; after being commissioned as an officer, he  
7 attended basic training in Coronado, California; and

8 WHEREAS, At sea, Rear Admiral Perez served aboard several  
9 ships, and he took command of the USS *Reclaimer*, the USS *Vincennes*,  
10 and Destroyer Squadron 15; during his tour as commander of Carrier  
11 Strike Group One, he completed a 5th Fleet deployment to support  
12 Operations Enduring Freedom and New Dawn; his assignments while  
13 ashore have included leadership positions with the Ballistic  
14 Missile Defense Organization, the Chief of Naval Operations, and  
15 the Joint Chiefs of Staff; in the U.S. Naval Forces Central Command,  
16 he served as chief of staff and deputy commander of the 5th Fleet;  
17 and

18 WHEREAS, During his tenure as deputy assistant secretary,  
19 Rear Admiral Perez provided executive leadership for  
20 U.S. government global security assistance programs and policies;  
21 he also served multiple command and staff tours for the Department  
22 of Defense, and he gained extensive operational experience in Far  
23 East Asia and the Arabian Gulf region; his other commands included  
24 the Joint Task Force-Port Opening and the effort to reconstruct the

1 Port-au-Prince port following the 2010 Haiti earthquake; and

2           WHEREAS, In 2010, while in command of Carrier Strike Group  
3 One, Rear Admiral Perez assumed command of Carrier Task Force Five  
4 Zero, and he conducted missions in support of sensitive national  
5 tasking, theater security cooperation, intelligence collection,  
6 maritime security, and counter-piracy operations; Carrier Strike  
7 Group One also oversaw the burial at sea for Osama Bin Laden; and

8           WHEREAS, Rear Admiral Samuel Perez has set an inspiring  
9 example of leadership, dedication, and integrity throughout his  
10 career in the military, and his contributions have earned him the  
11 lasting gratitude of his fellow citizens; now, therefore, be it

12           RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 88th Texas  
13 Legislature, 3rd Called Session, hereby honor Rear Admiral Samuel  
14 Perez Jr. for his distinguished military service and extend to him  
15 sincere best wishes for the future; and, be it further

16           RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be  
17 prepared for Rear Admiral Perez as an expression of high regard by  
18 the Texas House of Representatives.