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R E S O L U T I O N

1 WHEREAS, Michael J. Scarpello is retiring as the Dallas
2 County elections administrator on December 19, 2023, drawing to a
3 close a notable career that has spanned more than two decades; and

4 WHEREAS, Michael Scarpello first took the helm of the Dallas
5 County Elections Department on December 7, 2020; over the course of
6 his exemplary tenure, he has effectively managed the operations of
7 the department, which includes more than 50 full-time employees and
8 over 5,000 seasonal election workers who serve the county's 1.4
9 million registered voters; he has implemented a number of
10 innovative initiatives designed to improve and modernize the
11 department's processes, facilities, technology, communications,
12 and organization; among other achievements, he added a real-time
13 poll tracker, revamped the training for elections equipment, and
14 created a database of information on voting centers; and

15 WHEREAS, Mr. Scarpello brought to his position 20 years of
16 experience in elections management; after beginning his career in
17 Nebraska as the chief deputy election commissioner and elections
18 manager from 2000 to 2007, he went on to work in Colorado as the
19 director of elections from 2007 to 2011, in California as the
20 registrar of voters from 2011 to 2018, and in Arizona as the vice
21 president of election management systems from 2019 to 2020; he
22 holds a bachelor's degree from the University of Nebraska Omaha and
23 a juris doctor degree from the University of Nebraska College of
24 Law, and he is certified as an elections administrator by the

1 National Association of Election Officials; and

2 WHEREAS, Michael Scarpello has greatly benefited the
3 residents of Dallas County through his steadfast commitment to
4 maintaining the efficiency, accuracy, and transparency of the
5 elections process, and his contributions have earned him the
6 respect and admiration of his fellow citizens and professional
7 colleagues alike; now, therefore, be it

8 RESOLVED, That the Senate of the 88th Texas Legislature, 3rd
9 Called Session, hereby congratulate Michael J. Scarpello on his
10 retirement as the Dallas County elections administrator and commend
11 him for his dedicated service; and, be it further

12 RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be
13 prepared for Mr. Scarpello as an expression of high regard by the
14 Texas Senate.