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H.R. No. 34

R E S O L U T I O N

1 WHEREAS, The Rockwall County Sheriff's Office is
2 commemorating 150 years of service in 2023; and

3 WHEREAS, Established in 1873, the department serves Rockwall
4 County, which was founded the same year and has grown from fewer
5 than 3,000 people in 1880 to nearly 108,000 in 2022; today, the
6 agency employs a 171-member staff and encompasses enforcement,
7 criminal investigation, communication, and detention divisions;
8 and

9 WHEREAS, Over the years, the office has benefited from the
10 efforts of a total of 19 sheriffs; the first, Thomas F. Shaw,
11 initially ran the office as a one-man operation, and the
12 longest-tenured sheriff was W. J. Price, who directed the
13 department for more than three decades; since 2020, the sheriff's
14 agency has been led by Terry Garrett; and

15 WHEREAS, For a century and a half, the Rockwall County
16 Sheriff's Office has worked to protect the lives and property of
17 area residents, and it is a privilege to join in commending its
18 staff for their outstanding service; now, therefore, be it

19 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 88th Texas
20 Legislature hereby honor the Rockwall County Sheriff's Office on
21 the occasion of its 150th anniversary and extend to all those
22 associated with the department sincere best wishes for continued
23 success with their important work; and, be it further

24 RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be

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1 prepared for the organization as an expression of high regard by the
2 Texas House of Representatives.