

SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 495

WHEREAS, Carlos Leon served as Precinct 1 commissioner of the El Paso County Commissioners Court at the end of his term in 2024, drawing to a close an exemplary tenure that has spanned more than two decades; and

WHEREAS, First elected as the El Paso County Precinct 1 commissioner in 2012, Mr. Leon took office on January 1, 2013; among his many accomplishments over the years, he has helped to improve public safety, establish a County Administration Office, increase health care access, and maintain fiscal responsibility at the county level; he has also worked to ensure that the county's lowest-level employees receive fair wages and to improve public infrastructure in communities lacking sufficient utility and transportation services; in addition, he played a key role in the passage of a bond measure that led to the establishment of a series of health clinics that now provide invaluable care to area citizens, and he was instrumental in the development of a partnership between The University of Texas at El Paso and the county in order to bolster operations at Fabens Airport; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Leon began his career as a public servant in 1974, when he joined the El Paso Police Department; over the course of his 30-year tenure with the agency, he championed the community policing strategy that is still in practice today; he was promoted to chief of police in 1999, and following his retirement from the force in 2003, he began serving as a law enforcement and security consultant for a variety of organizations, including the National Center for Missing & Exploited Children; and

WHEREAS, The dedication, hard work, and commitment to excellence demonstrated by Carlos Leon have greatly benefited the residents of El Paso County, and he may indeed reflect with pride on the important contributions he has made during his more than four decades of public service; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That the Senate of the State of Texas, 88th Legislature, hereby congratulate Carlos Leon on his retirement as Precinct 1 commissioner of the El Paso County Commissioners Court and commend him for his many years of outstanding service to his fellow citizens; and, be it further

RESOLVED, That an official copy of this Resolution be prepared for Mr. Leon as an expression of high regard from the Texas Senate.

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President of the Senate

I hereby certify that the above Resolution was adopted by the Senate on May 1, 2023.

Secretary of the Senate

Member, Texas Senate