

SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 528

WHEREAS, Command Sergeant Major Gerardo Gonzalez is retiring from the United States Army on March 1, 2024, concluding a distinguished military career that has spanned more than three decades; and

WHEREAS, Gerardo Gonzalez currently serves as the garrison command sergeant major at Fort Bliss in El Paso; over the course of his enlistment, he has deployed on numerous occasions in support of Operation Enduring Freedom, Operation Iraqi Freedom, Operation New Dawn, and various contingency operations worldwide; and

WHEREAS, CSM Gonzalez joined the U.S. Army in 1992; following his completion of basic training at Fort Sill, Oklahoma, he was assigned to the 355th Medical Company, Army Reserve at Fort Bliss; he entered active duty in 1993 and underwent advanced training as a scout helicopter repairer at Fort Eustis, Virginia; he went on to graduate from the resident sergeants major course, the first sergeant course, and the senior leaders, advance leaders, and primary leadership courses; and

WHEREAS, Selected to serve in the 160th Special Operations Aviation Regiment, CSM Gonzalez was assigned in 1998 to the 1-160th SOAR (Airborne) at Fort Campbell, Kentucky; there, he held such leadership roles as crew chief, flight platoon sergeant, and first sergeant of the Light Attack Helicopter Company and the Aviation Maintenance Company; and

WHEREAS, After graduating from the U.S. Army Sergeants Major Academy, CSM Gonzalez was assigned to the 209th Aviation Support Battalion as support operations sergeant major for the 25th Combat Aviation Brigade; he subsequently served as command sergeant major of the 2-6 Cavalry Regiment, Hawaii, and as CSM of the 128th Aviation Brigade at Fort Eustis, before assuming the post of operations sergeant major for the Noncommissioned Officer Professional Development Department, Noncommissioned Officer Leadership Center of Excellence; and

WHEREAS, Gerardo Gonzalez's dedication, professionalism, and devotion to duty have greatly benefited his fellow Americans and earned him the respect and admiration of his peers, and he may indeed reflect with pride on his exemplary record of military service; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That the Senate of the State of Texas, 88th Legislature, hereby congratulate U.S. Army Command Sergeant Major Gerardo Gonzalez on his retirement and extend to him sincere best wishes for continued success in all his endeavors; and, be it further

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RESOLVED, That an official copy of this Resolution be prepared for Command Sergeant Major Gonzalez 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 9, 2023.

Secretary of the Senate

Member, Texas Senate