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RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, Dr. An Minh Truong, the mayor of Haltom City, has
demonstrated extraordinary courage, commitment, and leadership in
service to his nation and community; and
WHEREAS, Born in South Vietnam in 1948, An Minh Truong grew up
during the Vietnam War, and in 1968, he joined the Vietnamese Air

7 graduated in the top 10 of his class at the academy at Keesler Air

Force; after studying English, he trained in the United States and

8 Force Base in Mississippi, and he then completed advanced fighter

9 pilot training at Eglin Air Force Base in Florida; he went on to fly

10 combat missions for the 530th Squadron in Vietnam, Laos, and

11 Cambodia, surviving two aircraft shootdowns and enduring enemy fire

12 in more than 30 percent of his missions; and

WHEREAS, After completing his final mission on April 29, 1975, Dr. Truong became a refugee at U-Tapao Air Force Base in Thailand; he was eventually transferred to Guam, where he reunited with his wife and children; he and his family subsequently came to the United States as refugees at Camp Pendleton, California, and they lived in Pennsylvania before making their home in Texas; and

Fort Worth Police Department in 1987, and he later served as a gang and homicide investigator for the Tarrant County District Attorney's Office; in addition to his work in law enforcement, he

WHEREAS, Dr. Truong began his career as an officer with the

23 led community outreach programs for more than two decades, during

24 which he served as director of the Dallas-Fort Worth Youth

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- 1 Association and educated over 200 Asian American children about the
- 2 dangers of drugs and gang violence; while working full time, he
- 3 obtained a bachelor's degree, a master's degree, and a doctorate in
- 4 business administration with a focus on criminal justice; and
- 5 WHEREAS, A dedicated public servant, Dr. Truong joined the
- 6 Haltom City Economic Development Corporation in 2011, and he became
- 7 a member of the city council in 2013, serving two terms as mayor pro
- 8 tempore; he was first elected mayor of Haltom City in 2019, and
- 9 since that time, he has overseen a number of projects and
- 10 initiatives, such as increasing pay scales for city employees,
- 11 completing improvements to infrastructure, and spearheading
- 12 economic development programs; and
- WHEREAS, Through his outstanding leadership and commitment
- 14 to good governance, Dr. Truong has contributed immeasurably to his
- 15 community, and in so doing, he has earned the respect and
- 16 appreciation of area residents; now, therefore, be it
- 17 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 89th Texas
- 18 Legislature hereby commend Dr. An Minh Truong for his professional
- 19 achievements and civic contributions and extend to him sincere best
- 20 wishes for the future; and, be it further
- 21 RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be
- 22 prepared for Dr. Truong as an expression of high regard by the Texas
- 23 House of Representatives.