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R E S O L U T I O N

1 WHEREAS, Major General Bertus Leroy Sisco of the Texas State
2 Guard has served as commander of this noted military unit since
3 March 8, 1997, and during his tenure he has demonstrated
4 outstanding leadership and commitment to excellence in all his
5 efforts; and

6 WHEREAS, An Oklahoma native and current Southlake resident,
7 General Sisco served as an enlisted soldier in the 36th Infantry
8 Division for three years before being selected to attend Officer
9 Candidate School (OCS); he graduated and was commissioned as a
10 second lieutenant in June 1965, and two years later he earned a
11 bachelor of science degree from Abilene Christian University; and

12 WHEREAS, Before assuming command of the Texas State Guard,
13 General Sisco was deputy commander of the 49th Armored Division and
14 assistant adjutant general M-Day; his commands also include the
15 231st Engineer Company, the 386th Engineer Battalion, and the 111th
16 Area Support Group; he served in Germany with the 21st TAACOM and
17 held a number of major staff positions with the 71st Troop Command;
18 and

19 WHEREAS, This dedicated individual served on the National
20 Guard Association of Texas Board of Directors and Executive Board
21 for six years and five years, respectively, and was president of the
22 association in 1996; he is the recipient of numerous awards and
23 accolades, including the Legion of Merit, the Meritorious Service
24 Medal, the Army Commendation Medal, the Army Achievement Medal, and

1 the Lone Star Distinguished Service Medal; and

2 WHEREAS, In 1995, he was inducted into the Texas Infantry OCS
3 Hall of Fame, an honor reserved for our state's finest soldiers; he
4 earned an honorary doctorate of military arts and science from TMA,
5 and he currently serves on the executive board of the Choctaw Code
6 Talkers Association; and

7 WHEREAS, General Sisco and his wife, the former Frances
8 Wiseman, have been blessed with two sons, Brandon and Trevor, a
9 daughter, Shae, and five grandchildren; in his civilian career, he
10 is a principal and owner of U.S. BANC:Source, a national computing
11 company that serves more than a thousand financial institutions
12 throughout the country; and

13 WHEREAS, Service to one's country is a truly laudable
14 pursuit, and for nearly four decades General Sisco has devoted
15 himself to preserving the freedoms of his fellow Americans; he is an
16 inspiration to all who know him, and it is a privilege to pay
17 tribute to him at this time; now, therefore, be it

18 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 78th Texas
19 Legislature hereby honor Major General Bertus Leroy Sisco for his
20 many years of service to the citizens of Texas and of the United
21 States and extend to him best wishes for continued success and
22 happiness in all his endeavors; and, be it further

23 RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be
24 prepared for General Sisco as an expression of high regard by the
25 Texas House of Representatives.