

SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 259

**WHEREAS**, The Senate of the State of Texas is pleased to recognize Patricia Graham, who is retiring from the Texas Department of Public Safety Crime Laboratory Service on June 30, 2006, after almost 27 years of loyal service; and

**WHEREAS**, Patricia began working for the Department of Public Safety Crime Laboratory Service in September, 1979; a DNA technical leader, she has worked in the crime laboratories in both Austin and Corpus Christi and has served 14 years as supervisor for the Corpus Christi laboratory; and

**WHEREAS**, She has contributed immensely to the growth and improvement of the Texas Department of Public Safety Crime Laboratory Service; Patricia is especially noted for her enhancement of the level of serology and DNA services, her expert analysis of evidence in difficult cases, her compilation of the first serology procedure manual, her ongoing efforts to improve written serology and DNA procedures, and the valuable training she provided to countless of analysts and serologists; and

**WHEREAS**, She has actively participated in professional organizations, including peer committees, advisory boards, and the laboratory accreditation board, and she played an instrumental role in shaping the accredited laboratory system that the Department of Public Safety now has; and

**WHEREAS**, Patricia's significant contributions to improving scientific analysis and laboratory policy will have a lasting impact on the Texas Department of Public Safety Crime Laboratory Service; she has been a dedicated employee and a consummate professional, and she will be greatly missed; now, therefore, be it

**RESOLVED**, That the Senate of the State of Texas, 79th Legislature, 3rd Called Session, hereby commend Patricia Graham for her outstanding service to the Texas Department of Public Safety Crime Laboratory Service and extend to her best wishes for the retirement years ahead; and, be it further

**RESOLVED**, That a copy of this Resolution be prepared for her 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 15, 2006.

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Secretary of the Senate

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Member, Texas Senate