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R E S O L U T I O N

1 WHEREAS, The Texas House of Representatives is honored to
2 recognize Lieutenant General Wayne D. Marty on the occasion of his
3 retirement from the position of adjutant general for the State of
4 Texas; and

5 WHEREAS, Over the past three years, General Marty has been
6 responsible for leading more than 18,000 members of the Texas
7 military forces, which consist of the Texas Army National Guard,
8 the Texas Air National Guard, the State Guard, and the Adjutant
9 General's Department; and

10 WHEREAS, Units under the adjutant general's command include
11 the 49th Armored Division, the 71st Troop Command, the 147th and
12 149th Fighter Wings, and the 136th Airlift Wing; and

13 WHEREAS, General Marty has led the guard during its largest
14 combat deployment since World War II; more than 9,000 members of the
15 guard have been called to service in Iraq and Afghanistan; and

16 WHEREAS, While commanding the Texas Army National Guard,
17 General Marty has moved that organization away from its Cold War
18 structure, transforming it into a forward-looking, lighter, and
19 more lethal force and making it the guard force of choice for the
20 U.S. Army; he has also begun developing modern missions for the
21 Texas Air National Guard, including information operations and the
22 use of unmanned aircraft; and

23 WHEREAS, Recognizing the importance of providing effective
24 support to the families of those who have been deployed, General

1 Marty has worked with his wife to develop the National Guard Family
2 Readiness Program in Texas into a model for the entire nation; and

3 WHEREAS, General Marty began his military career in 1965;
4 posted to Vietnam as an active-duty second lieutenant, he served as
5 an armed helicopter platoon commander with the 192nd Assault
6 Helicopter Company; he went on to serve with the 2nd Armored
7 Division Artillery, and he was a troop commander with the 6th
8 Squadron, 1st Cavalry; and

9 WHEREAS, General Marty joined the Texas National Guard in
10 1970; his assignments have included command of the 1st Squadron,
11 124th Cavalry, and command of the 49th Armored Division's Aviation
12 Brigade; and

13 WHEREAS, In 1993, he was appointed to serve as the assistant
14 adjutant general, Texas Army National Guard; he assumed the 71st
15 Troop Command in 2000, and in 2002, he was appointed by the governor
16 as the adjutant general; and

17 WHEREAS, Decorations and badges earned by General Marty
18 include the Legion of Merit, the Meritorious Service Medal with two
19 Oak Leaf Clusters, the Army Commendation Medal, the Vietnam Service
20 Medal with three Bronze Service Stars, and the Master Army Aviator
21 Badge; his affiliations include the National Guard Associations of
22 the United States and Texas, the American Legion, and the Military
23 Order of the World Wars; and

24 WHEREAS, General Marty and his wife, Janie S. Marty, take
25 great pride in their daughters, Robin Todd and Brandy Marty, and
26 grandchildren, Hunter Wayne Marty and Emily Nicole and Sarah
27 Elizabeth Todd; and

1 WHEREAS, The epitome of General Douglas MacArthur's famous
2 motto "Duty, Honor, Country," General Marty has displayed deep
3 loyalty, dedication, and commitment to this nation for 40 years,
4 and he has served with distinction as leader of the Texas military
5 forces; now, therefore, be it

6 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 79th Texas
7 Legislature hereby commend Lieutenant General Wayne D. Marty on his
8 many years of outstanding service to the State of Texas and to this
9 country and extend to him sincere best wishes for a fulfilling
10 retirement; and, be it further

11 RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be
12 prepared for General Marty as an expression of high regard by the
13 Texas House of Representatives.