SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 711

WHEREAS, The Senate of the State of Texas is pleased to recognize Lieutenant General Wayne D. Marty on the occasion of his retirement from the position of adjutant general of the State of Texas; and

WHEREAS, As the adjutant general, Lieutenant General Marty has been responsible for leading over 18,000 members of the Texas military forces, which include the Texas Army National Guard, the Texas Air National Guard, the State Guard, and the Adjutant General's Department; and

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

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

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

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

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

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

RESOLVED, That the Senate of the State of Texas, 79th Legislature, hereby commend Lieutenant General Wayne D. Marty for his many years of outstanding service to the State of Texas and to his nation and extend to him best wishes for a fulfilling retirement; and, be it further

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RESOLVED, That a copy of this Resolution be prepared for him as an expression of esteem from the Texas Senate.

Van de Putte Lucio

President of the Senate

I hereby certify that the above Resolution was adopted by the Senate on May 4, 2005.

Secretary of the Senate

Member, Texas Senate

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