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H.R. No. 1045

R E S O L U T I O N

1 WHEREAS, The 2007 retirement of Officer Stephen Francis Allen
2 of Victoria from the Texas Department of Public Safety draws to a
3 close an exceptional tenure in law enforcement that has spanned
4 more than three decades; and

5 WHEREAS, Following his graduation from W. B. Ray High School
6 in Corpus Christi, Steve Allen attended the United States Coast
7 Guard Academy in New London, Connecticut, and he later earned the
8 National Defense Service Medal; he went on to graduate second in his
9 class at the DPS Training Academy and to pursue a career in the
10 field of law enforcement like his father and brother; and

11 WHEREAS, Over the course of his outstanding career, Officer
12 Allen distinguished himself in such vital endeavors as highway
13 patrol and narcotics enforcement, garnering numerous commendations
14 for his dedication, professionalism, and commitment to excellence;
15 his service included assignments in El Campo, New Braunfels,
16 Beaumont, Laredo, and Victoria, and in each of these posts he earned
17 the respect and admiration of his peers; and

18 WHEREAS, A lifelong learner, he was one of the first DPS
19 narcotics personnel to graduate from the Marine Law Enforcement
20 Training Program at the Federal Law Enforcement Training Center,
21 and he has shared his expertise with others as an instructor at the
22 Liberty County Sheriff's Academy, the Covert Operations School, and
23 the Criminal Law Enforcement Reporting and Information System;
24 following his retirement, Officer Allen plans to continue serving

1 the residents of Victoria as a criminal investigator with the
2 Victoria County District Attorney's Office; and

3 WHEREAS, In addition to his professional contributions,
4 Officer Allen has given back to his community as a Sunday school
5 teacher at Crestwood Baptist Church in Lumberton and Northside
6 Baptist Church in Victoria; he has been a member of Lumberton Lodge
7 No. 1430, Victoria Lodge No. 40, the Scottish Rite and York Rite
8 Masons, and the El Mina Shrine Center of Galveston; he is currently
9 active with the Victoria Friends of the Library and as
10 president-elect of the Victoria Northside Rotary Club; and

11 WHEREAS, Throughout all his endeavors, Officer Allen has
12 enjoyed the love and support of his wife, Judie Anne Rew Allen, and
13 their three children, Michael, Katy, and Sarah; and

14 WHEREAS, Over the past 32 years, this fine man has
15 exemplified the highest ideals of his profession, and he may indeed
16 reflect with pride on a career devoted to protecting the lives of
17 his fellow Texans; now, therefore, be it

18 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 80th Texas
19 Legislature hereby congratulate Officer Stephen Francis Allen on
20 his retirement from the Texas Department of Public Safety and
21 extend to him best wishes for the future; and, be it further

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