

R E S O L U T I O N

1           WHEREAS, After more than 24 years of exceptional service with  
2 the Mesquite Fire Department, firefighter and paramedic Homer  
3 Phillips is retiring on May 31, 2007; and

4           WHEREAS, Mr. Phillips began his career with the Mesquite Fire  
5 Department on December 6, 1982, and he earned his paramedic  
6 certification in 1985; over the years, he has received numerous  
7 commendations for his exemplary actions; one of his most  
8 prestigious accolades was the Outstanding Service to the Department  
9 Award, which he received in 2002 for his demonstration of pride on  
10 the job and his contributions to public safety; and

11           WHEREAS, Highly regarded by his colleagues for performing  
12 work that goes beyond the call of duty, Mr. Phillips has taken on  
13 tasks such as building storage areas and ramps and installing  
14 wiring for Station 7; this generous firefighter donated many hours  
15 of his own time to complete these projects; and

16           WHEREAS, Homer Phillips has stepped forward in many off-duty  
17 emergencies, as well; he frequently renders first aid in times of  
18 crisis, and when a tornado threatened citizens in Palestine, he led  
19 200 people to a basement for protection; and

20           WHEREAS, Strengthened by the love and support of his wife,  
21 Laura Phillips, and their two children, Homer Phillips has  
22 contributed immeasurably to the health and well-being of countless  
23 Texans, and his steadfast efforts are most deserving of  
24 recognition; now, therefore, be it

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1           RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 80th Texas  
2   Legislature hereby congratulate Homer Phillips on the occasion of  
3   his retirement from the Mesquite Fire Department and extend to him  
4   best wishes for the future; and, be it further

5           RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be  
6   prepared for Mr. Phillips as an expression of high regard by the  
7   Texas House of Representatives.

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Speaker of the House

I certify that H.R. No. 1609 was adopted by the House on May 11, 2007, by a non-record vote.

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Chief Clerk of the House