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R E S O L U T I O N

1 WHEREAS, Chief Warrant Officer Luis A. Perez is retiring from
2 the U.S. Navy on April 27, 2007, drawing to a close a distinguished
3 career in service to this nation that has spanned more than 28
4 years; and

5 WHEREAS, Raised in Geneva, Texas, Luis Perez joined the navy
6 soon after graduating from Hemphill High School in 1978; quickly
7 advancing to airman apprentice, he received training in aviation
8 ordnance and maintenance before reporting for his first tour aboard
9 the USS *Independence*, which included participation in the Iranian
10 hostage crisis and Cold War efforts; after completing a second tour
11 aboard the USS *Forrestal*, he was honorably discharged as a petty
12 officer second class in December 1982; and

13 WHEREAS, Chief Warrant Officer Perez reenlisted in the spring
14 of 1983 and went on to serve in numerous capacities at naval
15 stations in Kingsville, Texas, Atsugi, Japan, Norfolk, Virginia,
16 and Lemoore, California, and aboard the USS *Midway*, *Eisenhower*, and
17 *Constellation*; in the late 1990s, while posted at the Naval Air
18 Logistic Office in New Orleans, he was responsible for assigning
19 missions around the world for 10 Navy Logistic Squadrons positioned
20 throughout the U.S.; and

21 WHEREAS, Selected to attend the Navy Recruiting Orientation
22 Unit School, Chief Warrant Officer Perez subsequently served as a
23 navy officer recruiter in College Station, where he was
24 instrumental in making the Houston district among the top in

1 officer recruiting; in the years since, he has ably fulfilled
2 duties at stations in Fallon, Nevada, and Whidbey Island,
3 Washington, and he has participated in Operations Enduring Freedom,
4 Iraqi Freedom, and Philippine Freedom; and

5 WHEREAS, During the course of his tenure, this patriotic
6 Texan has garnered numerous commendations, including the Navy and
7 Marine Corps Achievement Medal, the Navy Expeditionary Medal, the
8 National Defense Service Medal, the Kuwait Liberation Service
9 Medal, the Navy Recruiting Ribbon, the Sea Service Deployment
10 Ribbon, and the Global War on Terrorism Service Medal; graduating
11 in May 2007 from Columbia Southern University with his bachelor's
12 degree, he looks forward to returning to his native East Texas in
13 retirement with his wife, Cynthia Perez; and

14 WHEREAS, For nearly three decades, Chief Warrant Officer
15 Perez has exemplified the highest standards of the United States
16 Navy, and his outstanding efforts in this country's behalf are
17 indeed deserving of his fellow citizens' deepest gratitude; now,
18 therefore, be it

19 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 80th Texas
20 Legislature hereby congratulate Chief Warrant Officer Luis A. Perez
21 on his retirement from the U.S. Navy and extend to him sincere best
22 wishes for continued happiness as he embarks on the next exciting
23 chapter of his life; and, be it further

24 RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be
25 prepared for Chief Warrant Officer Perez as an expression of high
26 regard by the Texas House of Representatives.