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H.R. No. 1765

R E S O L U T I O N

1           WHEREAS, Captain Abelardo Paniagua retired from the Del Rio  
2 Police Department on January 31, 2007, drawing to a close a notable  
3 career in law enforcement that spanned over 33 years of service to  
4 the people of Del Rio; and

5           WHEREAS, Abelardo Paniagua joined the department as a patrol  
6 officer on September 7, 1973; he was promoted to the rank of  
7 sergeant in 1982 and assigned to the Enforcement Division as a  
8 patrol supervisor; distinguishing himself in each new  
9 responsibility he took on, Sergeant Paniagua was promoted to the  
10 rank of lieutenant in 1993, assigned as Enforcement Division  
11 captain three years later, and named administrative captain in  
12 2000; and

13           WHEREAS, For his actions in the high- and swift-water rescue  
14 of citizens during the flood of 1998, this courageous officer was  
15 awarded the department's Medal of Valor that same year; and

16           WHEREAS, Captain Paniagua's dedication to duty,  
17 professionalism, and commitment to excellence greatly benefited  
18 the citizens of Del Rio and earned him the respect and admiration of  
19 his fellow officers; he may indeed reflect with pride on a career  
20 well-spent as he begins the next chapter of his life; now,  
21 therefore, be it

22           RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 80th Texas  
23 Legislature hereby congratulate Abelardo Paniagua on his  
24 retirement from the Del Rio Police Department and extend sincere

1 best wishes to him for continued happiness; and, be it further

2           RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be  
3 prepared for Captain Paniagua as an expression of high regard by the  
4 Texas House of Representatives.