

R E S O L U T I O N

1           WHEREAS, After 15 years of exemplary service as a state  
2 police officer with the Texas Alcoholic Beverage Commission,  
3 Sergeant Arthur A. Valdez is retiring; and

4           WHEREAS, A lifelong resident of Houston, Art Valdez is a  
5 former sergeant with the patrol division of the Houston Police  
6 Department, and his law enforcement training has benefited him  
7 greatly in his efforts as an agent with the TABC; and

8           WHEREAS, Sergeant Valdez has been affiliated with the TABC  
9 since January 6, 1992, and he has worked diligently to curb underage  
10 alcohol consumption and to increase awareness of the hazards  
11 associated with this problem; and

12           WHEREAS, Noted for his work in educating children, parents,  
13 and peace officers, Sergeant Valdez has helped to enlighten  
14 thousands of individuals through his participation in MADD Youth  
15 Power Camps, the TABC-sponsored Project SAVE, and the Shattered  
16 Dreams program; and

17           WHEREAS, Promoted to sergeant on May 1, 2004, and  
18 subsequently assigned to the Houston district office, this dynamic  
19 gentleman was responsible for reviewing administrative cases and  
20 holding settlement conferences; he also continued to teach courses  
21 at the Houston Police Department Academy despite the new demands of  
22 his administrative post; and

23           WHEREAS, Sergeant Valdez was reassigned to the field in  
24 October 2006 and was charged with supervising a newly created team

1 of six agents, which he dubbed "the A-Team"; his team soon proved to  
2 be one of the elite groups in the commission's Houston district,  
3 thanks in no small part to Sergeant Valdez's outstanding training;  
4 and

5 WHEREAS, Through his expert leadership and commitment to  
6 excellence, Sergeant Art Valdez has gained the respect and  
7 admiration of those who have been fortunate enough to work with him,  
8 and he can look back on his many achievements with justifiable pride  
9 and satisfaction; now, therefore, be it

10 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 80th Texas  
11 Legislature hereby recognize Sergeant Arthur A. Valdez on the  
12 occasion of his retirement from the Texas Alcoholic Beverage  
13 Commission and commend him for his many years of dedicated service  
14 to the citizens of Houston and the State of Texas; and, be it  
15 further

16 RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be  
17 prepared for Sergeant Valdez as an expression of high regard by the  
18 Texas House of Representatives.

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H.R. No. 2947

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Speaker of the House

I certify that H.R. No. 2947 was adopted by the House on May 28, 2007, by a non-record vote.

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Chief Clerk of the House