

SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 10

WHEREAS, The Senate of the State of Texas is pleased to recognize Joe M. Spigner, who is retiring after more than 28 years as a Dallas paramedic and firefighter; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Spigner is a native of Wichita Falls, where he graduated from Booker T. Washington High School; he went on to earn a bachelor's degree in economics and business administration from Bishop College; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Spigner served the nation as a member of the United States Air Force, and he earned the Air Force Commendation Medal for meritorious service; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Spigner began his career as a paramedic and firefighter in Dallas on May 13, 1981; over the course of his distinguished career, he was noted for his ability to handle his many responsibilities with exceptional efficiency and dedication; and

WHEREAS, Active in civic and professional affairs, Mr. Spigner held several offices in the International Association of Black Professional Fire Fighters and its local chapter, the Dallas Black Fire Fighters Association; he has for many years worked as an official at local basketball games and is a member of the Texas Association of Sports Officials; and

WHEREAS, An exemplary public servant, Mr. Spigner is respected and admired by his colleagues, and his presence at the Dallas Fire Department will be greatly missed; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That the Senate of the State of Texas, 81st Legislature, 1st Called Session, hereby commend Joe M. Spigner on his exceptional service to the Dallas Fire Department and extend to him best wishes for the retirement years ahead; and, be it further

RESOLVED, That a copy of this Resolution be prepared for him as an expression of esteem from the Texas Senate.

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President of the Senate

I hereby certify that the above Resolution was adopted by the Senate on July 1, 2009.

Secretary of the Senate

Member, Texas Senate