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## CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

1 WHEREAS, Lieutenant Colonel David McEathron retired from the 2 Texas Department of Public Safety on August 31, 2008, drawing to a 3 close a notable career in law enforcement that spanned more than 4 three decades; and

5 WHEREAS, A veteran of the U.S. Coast Guard, Colonel McEathron 6 received his bachelor's degree in criminal justice from Southwest 7 Texas State University; he is also a graduate of the police 8 administrative training program at the Traffic Institute of 9 Northwestern University; and

WHEREAS, Embarking on his law enforcement career in 1975 as a city police officer, Colonel McEathron joined DPS two years later as a state trooper in Rio Grande City; advancing to the rank of major in the highway patrol division, he was then appointed assistant chief and, subsequently, chief of the traffic law enforcement division, where he served for 23 years; and

16 WHEREAS, On March 1, 2000, Colonel McEathron became assistant 17 director of DPS, and his commitment to protecting the lives, 18 properties, rights, and privileges of his fellow Texans has greatly 19 benefited the state; and

20 WHEREAS, Throughout his career, in every post he has held, 21 this exemplary law enforcement professional has earned the respect 22 and admiration of his colleagues, and he may indeed reflect with 23 pride on a career well spent as he embarks on the next exciting 24 chapter of his life; now, therefore, be it

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1 RESOLVED, That the 81st Legislature of the State of Texas 2 hereby congratulate Lieutenant Colonel David McEathron on his 3 retirement as assistant director of the Texas Department of Public 4 Safety and extend to him sincere best wishes for continued success 5 and happiness; and, be it further

6 RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be 7 prepared for Lieutenant Colonel McEathron as an expression of high 8 regard by the Texas House of Representatives and Senate.