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H.R. No. 276

R E S O L U T I O N

1           WHEREAS, Gordon Morris retired as the sheriff of Lampasas  
2 County in 2008, drawing to a close a notable career in law  
3 enforcement that spanned 35 years; and

4           WHEREAS, A native of West Texas, Mr. Morris started his  
5 career as a peace officer in Arizona, working as a patrolman for the  
6 Wilcox Police Department from February 1973 to June 1974; and

7           WHEREAS, Mr. Morris then returned to Texas, where he worked  
8 briefly for the Midland Sheriff's Office before serving with the  
9 Highland Park Police Department from September 1974 to May 1975;  
10 and

11           WHEREAS, In June of 1975, Mr. Morris joined the Lampasas  
12 County Sheriff's Office and was appointed as a justice of the peace  
13 three years later; his tenure as the county's chief law enforcement  
14 officer began in 1980, when he was appointed to complete the  
15 unexpired term of the previously elected sheriff; and

16           WHEREAS, This respected professional went on to serve seven  
17 terms as the Lampasas County sheriff; voters repeatedly returned  
18 him to office over the course of nearly three decades, which is a  
19 testament to the high regard in which he is held by his fellow  
20 citizens; and

21           WHEREAS, For 29 years, Sheriff Morris dedicated himself to  
22 preserving the safety and security of the people of Lampasas  
23 County, earning the admiration of his colleagues and his community,  
24 and he may indeed reflect with pride on his many exceptional

1 achievements; now, therefore, be it

2           RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 81st Texas  
3 Legislature hereby congratulate Sheriff Gordon Morris on his  
4 retirement from the Lampasas County Sheriff's Office and extend to  
5 him sincere best wishes for his continued success and happiness;  
6 and, be it further

7           RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be  
8 prepared for Sheriff Morris as an expression of high regard by the  
9 Texas House of Representatives.