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R E S O L U T I O N

1 WHEREAS, Deputy Chief Wilbur Montgomery retired from the
2 Mesquite Fire Department on January 30, 2009, drawing to a close a
3 notable career in public service that has spanned 35 years; and

4 WHEREAS, Chief Montgomery joined the Mesquite Fire
5 Department in 1973, and within a year he had earned two letters of
6 commendation for volunteering to teach fire safety classes for the
7 Mesquite Independent School District; and

8 WHEREAS, This outstanding firefighter became a
9 driver-engineer in 1977; he was promoted to lieutenant in 1995 and
10 to captain four years later; for his exemplary service, he was
11 recognized as the 2005 Officer of the Year; and

12 WHEREAS, In 2006, Wilbur Montgomery was named deputy chief of
13 the EMS Division, and in that capacity he introduced new lifesaving
14 equipment, including the Power-Pro stretcher and cardiac monitors;
15 he also began the process of implementing electronic patient care
16 reporting; and

17 WHEREAS, Despite the demanding nature of his work, this
18 caring gentleman has also found time to give back to his community
19 through his involvement in the Fired Up for Santa program and the
20 United Way; and

21 WHEREAS, Chief Montgomery's professionalism, dedication to
22 his department, and commitment to the public welfare have greatly
23 benefited his fellow citizens, and he may indeed reflect with pride
24 on a career well spent as he embarks on the next exciting chapter of

1 his life; now, therefore, be it

2 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 81st Texas
3 Legislature hereby congratulate Deputy Chief Wilbur Montgomery on
4 his retirement from the Mesquite Fire Department and extend to him
5 sincere best wishes for continued success and happiness; and, be it
6 further

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