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## RESOLUTION

1 WHEREAS, Vicki Hallman of Dallas is retiring as Region II 2 director of the parole division of the Texas Department of Criminal 3 Justice on May 28, 2009; and

WHEREAS, Promoted to the post in 2002, Ms. Hallman has been 4 5 responsible for overseeing parole operations for the North Texas Region, which is the largest in the state; in addition, she has 6 7 managed the development, implementation, and planning of all parole-related functions in the 13 district parole offices 8 9 throughout the region; and

WHEREAS, Ms. Hallman brought more than two decades 10 of 11 experience in criminal justice to the job, as well as a strong 12 commitment to supporting offenders during the challenging reentry process; she has been instrumental in the creation of a variety of 13 14 programs that have enhanced reentry for those in the Dallas/Fort Worth area and elicited praise for Region II parole officers; and 15

16 WHEREAS, Despite her busy professional life, Ms. Hallman has found time to serve as a member of the boards of such notable 17 organizations as the Institute for Prison Ministries, the Billy 18 Graham Center, and Wheaton College; moreover, she is a member of 19 20 Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority and enjoys speaking to youth about 21 attaining success and avoiding the criminal justice system; through 22 the years, she has received numerous honors, including the Dr. 23 Emmett Conrad Leadership Award and the Medgar Evers Award; and 24

WHEREAS, Ms. Hallman is supported in her endeavors by her

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children, Tiffini and Nickolas, and her parents, Curtis and Bobbie
McCarty; she is an active congregant of Pilgrim Rest Missionary
Baptist Church and holds a bachelor's degree in pre-law and
psychology; and

5 WHEREAS, Demonstrating professionalism and a commitment to 6 excellence, Vicki Hallman has played a significant role in 7 promoting public safety in the Metroplex, and she has garnered 8 widespread respect and admiration; now, therefore, be it

9 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 81st Texas 10 Legislature hereby congratulate Vicki Hallman on her retirement 11 from the parole division of the Texas Department of Criminal 12 Justice and extend to her sincere best wishes for the future; and, 13 be it further

14 RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be 15 prepared for Ms. Hallman as an expression of high regard by the 16 Texas House of Representatives.

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