## SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 87

WHEREAS, The Senate of the State of Texas is pleased to recognize Jimmy Apodaca for his many years of service in the El Paso County Sheriff's Department; and

WHEREAS, A 1961 graduate of Ysleta High School, Mr. Apodaca began his career in law enforcement with the El Paso Police Department in 1964; he left the department in 1988 to join legendary El Paso County sheriff Leo Samaniego as commander of the Multi-County Narcotics Task Force; and

WHEREAS, After seven years in the sheriff's department, Mr. Apodaca rose to the position of chief deputy, serving as the late sheriff Samaniego's right-hand man; throughout his career, he has been noted for his superior organizational skills and expertise; and

WHEREAS, Talented and resourceful, Mr. Apodaca has handled his many responsibilities with exceptional efficiency and dedication; he played a major role in the department's becoming one of the most-honored law enforcement agencies in the nation; and

WHEREAS, An exemplary public servant, Mr. Apodaca is respected and admired by his colleagues, and his presence at the El Paso County Sheriff's Department will be greatly missed; now, therefore, be it

**RESOLVED**, That the Senate of the State of Texas, 81st Legislature, hereby commend Jimmy Apodaca for more than 40 years of dedicated service to the citizens of El Paso and extend to him best wishes for continued success in all his future endeavors; and, be it further

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

Shapleigh

President of the Senate

I hereby certify that the above Resolution was adopted by the Senate on January 28, 2009.

Secretary of the Senate

Member, Texas Senate