

SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 360

WHEREAS, The Senate of the State of Texas is pleased to recognize Senior Master Sergeant Augustin Lopez, Jr., on the occasion of his retirement from the United States Air Force after many years of service to his country; and

WHEREAS, Augustin Lopez, Jr., is the 26th Aerial Port Squadron first sergeant in the Air Reserve Command at Lackland Air Force Base; the San Antonio native began his military career on active duty in the United States Navy on June 29, 1974, and served aboard the USS *Coronado*; and

WHEREAS, After a break from service from 1978 to 1982, he joined the Air Force Reserve forces with the 433rd Military Airlift Wing at Lackland; while serving in the reserve, he was a Civil Service employee at Kelly Air Force Base; and

WHEREAS, His many assignments have taken him across the globe to such places as Europe, Saudi Arabia, and Puerto Rico; he was deployed to evacuate Americans from Cyprus in 1974 and from Lebanon in 1975; he has been stationed at the Naval Air Station in Corpus Christi and Kelly Air Force Base, and he served on cruises in the North Atlantic, the Mediterranean, and the Caribbean; and

WHEREAS, He was awarded numerous commendation, achievement, and service medals over the years, including recognition for his service in Vietnam and in the Global War on Terrorism; and

WHEREAS, Sergeant Lopez has served his country with honor in times of peace and during times of hostilities and has affirmed his allegiance to duty and country; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That the Senate of the State of Texas, 81st Legislature, hereby commend Senior Master Sergeant Augustin Lopez, Jr., for his many years of loyal service to the citizens of this nation and extend to him best wishes for the future; and, be it further

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

Van de Putte

President of the Senate

I hereby certify that the above Resolution was adopted by the Senate on March 3, 2009.

Secretary of the Senate

Member, Texas Senate