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H.R. No. 151

R E S O L U T I O N

1 WHEREAS, Captain Kay Langford retired from the Henderson
2 County Sheriff's Office on June 17, 2011, drawing to a close a
3 notable career with the department that spanned more than two
4 decades; and

5 WHEREAS, Ms. Langford joined the sheriff's office as a
6 dispatcher in 1989, and while serving in that position, she
7 graduated from the East Texas Police Academy, earning her peace
8 officer certification; she went on to become the county's first
9 female patrol deputy in 1991; she was shot in the line of duty in
10 1994, as she responded to an incident of family violence, and later
11 earned a Purple Heart medal; and

12 WHEREAS, From 1998 to 2002, this outstanding law enforcement
13 professional served as the first female criminal investigator for
14 Henderson County; she was promoted to lieutenant of the criminal
15 law enforcement division in 2002, and the following year, she was
16 placed in command of the drug enforcement unit; she was named
17 captain in 2009, and she has since overseen narcotics, patrol, and
18 dispatch, in addition to the criminal law enforcement division; and

19 WHEREAS, Captain Langford holds a master peace officer
20 certificate from the Texas Commission on Law Enforcement Officer
21 Standards and Education, and throughout her exemplary 22-year
22 tenure with the Henderson County Sheriff's Office, she won the
23 respect and admiration of her colleagues; and

24 WHEREAS, Captain Langford's dedication, professionalism, and

1 commitment to safeguarding the public have greatly benefited the
2 citizens of Henderson County, and she may indeed reflect with pride
3 on her accomplishments as she embarks on the next exciting chapter
4 of her life; now, therefore, be it

5 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 82nd Texas
6 Legislature, 1st Called Session, hereby congratulate Captain Kay
7 Langford on her retirement from the Henderson County Sheriff's
8 Office and extend to her sincere best wishes for continued
9 happiness; and, be it further

10 RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be
11 prepared for Captain Langford as an expression of high regard by the
12 Texas House of Representatives.