## RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, Craig E. Ferrell, Jr., is retiring from the Houston Police Department on June 30, 2011, bringing to a close a notable career in law enforcement that has spanned more than three decades; and

WHEREAS, A deputy director of the Houston Police Department, Mr. Ferrell leads the Legal Services unit and serves as administrative general counsel; over the years, he has been a senior advisor to four Houston police chiefs; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Ferrell has served, additionally, as the longtime general counsel for the Major Cities Chiefs Association, an organization of police chiefs and sheriffs representing the 70 largest law enforcement agencies in the United States and Canada; and

WHEREAS, This esteemed Texan has made a significant contribution to the Houston $P D$, as well as to law enforcement agencies across the country, by providing outstanding leadership and legal guidance on matters pertaining to internal policies and procedures, disciplinary action, mutual aid agreements, and civil litigation; and

WHEREAS, Before he joined the Legal Services unit in 1990, Mr. Ferrell served in the Houston Police Department as a police officer, detective, and sergeant; and

WHEREAS, Craig Ferrell's commitment to excellence and devotion to his work have greatly benefited the members of his
community and his fellow police officers, and he may indeed reflect with pride on his many achievements; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 82nd Texas Legislature hereby congratulate Craig E. Ferrell, Jr., on the occasion of his retirement from the Houston Police Department and extend to him sincere appreciation for his outstanding public service; and, be it further

RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be prepared for $M r$. Ferrell as an expression of high regard by the Texas House of Representatives.

