## SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 215

WHEREAS, The Senate of the State of Texas is pleased to recognize Fire Marshal Richard Lee Drewry, who is retiring after more than 40 years of outstanding service with the Edinburg Volunteer Fire Department; and

WHEREAS, Fire Marshal Drewry joined the Edinburg Volunteer Fire Department in 1970, following a longstanding family tradition of serving as a firefighter; he combined his love of fighting fires with his desire to serve in law enforcement by becoming an arson investigator; and

WHEREAS, Under his expert leadership, the Fire Marshal's Office of the Edinburg Volunteer Fire Department has become a highly respected organization, working diligently to inform the public about issues of fire safety and developing effective fire prevention programs; and

WHEREAS, Fire Marshal Drewry has been cited numerous times for bravery over the course of his career; he holds a master peace officer license and numerous advanced certifications, including as a fire inspector, arson investigator, and volunteer firefighter, and he is noted for serving as a mentor to others, passing on his advanced knowledge of fire codes and fire prevention; and

WHEREAS, An exemplary public servant, he is respected and admired by his colleagues and citizens alike, and his presence at the Edinburg Volunteer Fire Department will be greatly missed; now, therefore, be it

**RESOLVED**, That the Senate of the State of Texas, 82nd Legislature, hereby commend Richard Lee Drewry on his exceptional service to the people of Edinburg as fire marshal for the Edinburg Volunteer Fire Department and extend to him best wishes for the retirement years ahead; and, be it further

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

Hinojosa

President of the Senate

I hereby certify that the above Resolution was adopted by the Senate on February 14, 2011.

Secretary of the Senate

Member, Texas Senate