

SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 858

WHEREAS, The Senate of the State of Texas is pleased to recognize Commander James E. Elliott, who is retiring on September 1, 2011, after 26 years of outstanding service with the United States Coast Guard; and

WHEREAS, Commanding officer of Marine Safety Unit, Texas City, Commander Elliott is responsible for a wide array of activities that play a vital role in our country's security; from commercial vessel inspections to maritime law enforcement to environmental protection operations surrounding the nation's largest petrochemical complex, he oversees a range of programs that benefit our state and nation; and

WHEREAS, Talented and resourceful, Commander Elliott has handled his many responsibilities with exceptional efficiency and dedication; he is an honors graduate of the University of Maryland and earned a master's degree with highest distinction from the United States Naval War College in national security and strategic studies; and

WHEREAS, Throughout his career, he has been noted for his superior skills and expertise; Commander Elliott is a nationally recognized expert in marine salvage and commercial diving operations and has received numerous awards and citations for his exemplary service, including five Meritorious Service Medals, five Coast Guard Commendation Medals, and the National Environmental Manager of the Year Award; and

WHEREAS, A loyal and distinguished officer, he is respected and admired by his colleagues, and his presence in the United States Coast Guard will be greatly missed; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That the Senate of the State of Texas, 82nd Legislature, hereby commend Commander James E. Elliott on his exceptional service to the nation as an officer in the United States Coast Guard 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.

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President of the Senate

I hereby certify that the
above Resolution was adopted by
the Senate on April 27, 2011.

Secretary of the Senate

Member, Texas Senate