

SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 105

**WHEREAS**, The Senate of the State of Texas is pleased to recognize Executive Chief Deputy Robert Allen Knowles on his distinguished career in law enforcement and his most recent successful facilities certification; and

**WHEREAS**, Robert Knowles began his career in 1974 serving with the Dallas County Sheriff's Office; his management skills and steadfast work ethic were quickly recognized, and he was promoted to captain in 1978; and

**WHEREAS**, Within a year of becoming captain, this talented officer was able to raise the standards of county jail facilities under his command to meet state requirements; this year marks the 30th consecutive year that all facilities under his jurisdiction have been certified as being in compliance with state standards; and

**WHEREAS**, Over the course of his long career, Chief Deputy Knowles has overseen the design, development, and implementation of over 9,000 jail beds in eight different county facilities; his 30th year of successful facilities certification is a milestone that testifies to his dedication and skill as a jail administrator; and

**WHEREAS**, Throughout his tenure, Chief Deputy Knowles has been recognized for expertise in his field on both state and national levels; in 1985, he earned national recognition and received the Howard B. Gill Award from the American Jail Association as the Correctional Administrator of the Year; and

**WHEREAS**, Nearly 40 years of outstanding service have earned this distinguished officer the respect and admiration of his peers; it is truly fitting that he be recognized for his notable contributions to his field; now, therefore, be it

**RESOLVED**, That the Senate of the State of Texas, 83rd Legislature, 2nd Called Session, hereby commend Executive Chief Deputy Robert Allen Knowles on his years of outstanding service and congratulate him on his most recent success; 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 July 30, 2013.

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Secretary of the Senate

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Member, Texas Senate