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R E S O L U T I O N

1           WHEREAS, Major General Raymond C. Peters, commander of the  
2 Texas State Guard, retired on July 28, 2012, after an outstanding  
3 military career that spanned nearly half a century; and

4           WHEREAS, General Peters attended the Texas National Guard  
5 Academy at Camp Mabry and was commissioned as a second lieutenant in  
6 June 1965; he subsequently served with numerous units in the  
7 national guard, including Company C 112th Armor, the 1st Battalion  
8 133rd Field Artillery, the 2nd Battalion (Airborne) 143rd Infantry,  
9 the 386th Engineer Battalion, and the 111th Area Support Group;  
10 moreover, he completed notable assignments as commander of the  
11 386th Engineer Battalion, commander of the 142nd Support Detachment  
12 (RAOC), and deputy director of the Surface Maintenance Directorate;  
13 and

14           WHEREAS, Following his retirement from the national guard in  
15 1997, General Peters joined the Texas State Guard as its director  
16 and chief of staff; in October 2005, he received promotion to the  
17 rank of brigadier general and became deputy commander; four years  
18 later, on July 25, 2009, he was promoted to major general and  
19 appointed to the office of commander; and

20           WHEREAS, In his position as the senior officer of the state  
21 guard, General Peters commanded a force that provides critical  
22 assistance to local and state authorities in times of emergency; in  
23 addition, the Texas State Guard supports an annual health  
24 initiative in South Texas, participates in a program to suppress

1 rabies in wild animals in South and West Texas, and undertakes other  
2 efforts that benefit communities across the Lone Star State; and

3 WHEREAS, This esteemed officer is a graduate of the United  
4 States Army Command and General Staff College, the Armor, Field  
5 Artillery, Engineer, and Quartermaster Schools, and the Infantry  
6 Advanced Course; he earned his bachelor of science degree from  
7 Liberty University; and

8 WHEREAS, The awards conferred on General Peters include the  
9 Legion of Merit, the Meritorious Service Medal with six oak leaf  
10 clusters, the Army Commendation Medal, and the Army Achievement  
11 Medal, as well as the Military Volunteer Outstanding Service Medal,  
12 the Lone Star Distinguished Service Medal, the Texas Outstanding  
13 Service Medal, the Texas Medal of Merit, and the Master Parachutist  
14 Badge; and

15 WHEREAS, Throughout a career distinguished by decisive  
16 leadership and consummate professionalism, General Peters has  
17 demonstrated a commitment to excellence in the execution of his  
18 duties, and he has earned the lasting respect and appreciation of  
19 his fellow citizens; now, therefore, be it

20 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 83rd Texas  
21 Legislature hereby congratulate Major General Raymond C. Peters on  
22 his retirement as commander of the Texas State Guard and commend him  
23 for his exemplary service to this state and nation; and, be it  
24 further

25 RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be  
26 prepared for General Peters as an expression of high regard by the  
27 Texas House of Representatives.