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H.R. No. 1669

R E S O L U T I O N

1           WHEREAS, U.S. Army Major General Dana J. H. Pittard has  
2 rendered exceptional service both to his country and to his  
3 hometown of El Paso; and

4           WHEREAS, Born and raised in the Sun City, Major General  
5 Pittard graduated in 1977 from Eastwood High School, where he was  
6 elected president of his class all four years; he went on to attend  
7 the United States Military Academy at West Point and to earn a  
8 master's degree from the School for Advanced Military Studies at  
9 the United States Army Command and General Staff College; after  
10 dedicated service stateside and overseas, he returned to El Paso in  
11 2010 to serve as post commander of Fort Bliss; and

12           WHEREAS, Since taking up his present assignment, Major  
13 General Pittard has been committed to making Fort Bliss a premier  
14 national training center; to that end, he has introduced a new  
15 training model and nearly doubled the size of the training arena; he  
16 has also made mental and emotional health services and family and  
17 soldier support systems a top priority; and

18           WHEREAS, During his tenure at Fort Bliss, this distinguished  
19 officer has overseen one of the largest expansions of any U.S.  
20 military base since World War II; in addition to increasing the  
21 training area, he has overseen the groundbreaking for a new  
22 hospital and the completion of Freedom Crossing, an entertainment  
23 district for soldiers and the public; he has also worked to promote  
24 energy efficiency and resource conservation, with the goal of

1 making the base self-sufficient by 2018; and

2 WHEREAS, Major General Pittard has been supported in all of  
3 his endeavors by a loving family; he has shared more than a  
4 quarter-century of marriage with his wife, Lucille, who has been  
5 actively involved in the life of the base, and he takes great pride  
6 in their two sons, Taylor and Jordan; and

7 WHEREAS, Major General Dana Pittard has left an indelible  
8 mark on Fort Bliss and the wider community, and his fellow El  
9 Pasoans are justifiably proud of this accomplished native son; now,  
10 therefore, be it

11 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 83rd Texas  
12 Legislature hereby honor U.S. Army Major General Dana J. H. Pittard  
13 for his service to Fort Bliss and the greater El Paso community and  
14 extend to him sincere best wishes for the future; and, be it further

15 RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be  
16 prepared for Major General Pittard as an expression of high regard  
17 by the Texas House of Representatives.