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R E S O L U T I O N

1           WHEREAS, Victor Vandergriff of Arlington served with  
2 distinction as inaugural chair of the Texas Department of Motor  
3 Vehicles board from 2009 to 2013, when he took office as a member of  
4 the Texas Transportation Commission; and

5           WHEREAS, Appointed to the DMV board in 2009, Mr. Vandergriff  
6 has guided the agency's development with exceptional skill and  
7 dedication; under his leadership, the DMV introduced the new "Texas  
8 Classic" license plates, which incorporate enhanced security  
9 features to help law enforcement personnel quickly spot counterfeit  
10 plates; the agency also unveiled a more user-friendly vehicle  
11 registration sticker customized to allow officers to quickly flag  
12 stolen vehicles or identify the owner in the event of an accident;  
13 and

14           WHEREAS, Mr. Vandergriff, an attorney, brought to the post  
15 years of experience in the automobile industry, as well as an  
16 exceptional background in transportation issues; he has served as  
17 chair of the North Texas Tollway Authority board and he played a key  
18 role in a number of its major projects, among them the planned  
19 extension of Texas State Highway 360 from Arlington to Mansfield;  
20 previously, he was vice president of the Van Tuyl Group, which  
21 provides management consulting services to the largest group of  
22 privately held automotive dealerships in the United States, and he  
23 was involved in the business as a franchise owner, dealer, and  
24 executive manager for more than 25 years; he graduated from the

1 School of Public Administration at the University of Southern  
2 California and completed his law degree at Southern Methodist  
3 University; and

4 WHEREAS, Victor Vandergriff has greatly benefited the  
5 citizens of Texas through his exemplary service as chair of the  
6 Department of Motor Vehicles, and as he takes on his new  
7 responsibilities as a member of the Texas Transportation  
8 Commission, it is indeed fitting to recognize him for his  
9 accomplishments; now, therefore, be it

10 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 83rd Texas  
11 Legislature hereby commend Victor Vandergriff for his  
12 distinguished service as chair of the Texas Department of Motor  
13 Vehicles board and congratulate him on his appointment to the Texas  
14 Transportation Commission; and, be it further

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