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R E S O L U T I O N

1 WHEREAS, Collin County Sheriff Terry Box will be retiring at
2 the end of his current term in December 2016, drawing to a close a
3 notable career as a peace officer that has spanned more than four
4 decades; and

5 WHEREAS, A native of McKinney, Terry Box first went to work in
6 the field of law enforcement shortly after he graduated from high
7 school, when he took a job as a police dispatcher at the age of 19;
8 after he turned 21, he joined the force in Plano; and

9 WHEREAS, Ten years later, officer Box was hired by the Collin
10 County Sheriff's Office as a lieutenant, and in three years' time,
11 he was promoted to deputy chief; in 1985, he was appointed to the
12 top position when the previous sheriff passed away while in office,
13 and the following year, he won a special election and has run
14 unopposed in every election since; and

15 WHEREAS, Throughout his outstanding career, Sheriff Box has
16 earned the admiration of his fellow citizens and officers alike for
17 his low-key style, his kindness, and his respect for constitutional
18 rights; he has also benefited his professional peers at the state
19 level, serving as chair of the Commission on Jail Standards and as
20 president of the Sheriffs' Association of Texas, which presented
21 him with the Bill Decker Award in 2002; and

22 WHEREAS, Sheriff Box has been a valued community leader as
23 well, raising more than \$2.1 million for Collin County charities
24 with his Sheriff Box Shoot-Out Fore Kids Golf Tournament over the

1 past two decades; for his many good works and deeds, the Collin
2 County Children's Advocacy Center presented him with the 2010 Eagle
3 Award, and the following year, the center named him one of the 20
4 Heroes of Collin County; he has also received awards from the
5 Wellness Center for Older Adults and the Collin College Student
6 Leadership Academy; and

7 WHEREAS, In all his endeavors, Sheriff Box has enjoyed the
8 love and support of Rendy, his sweetheart since junior high school
9 and his wife of more than 40 years; and

10 WHEREAS, Sheriff Box's expertise, professionalism, and
11 dedication to duty have greatly benefited the citizens of Collin
12 County, and as he embarks on the final two years of his tenure in
13 public office, he may indeed reflect with pride on a career well
14 spent; now, therefore, be it

15 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 84th Texas
16 Legislature hereby congratulate Sheriff Terry Box on his upcoming
17 retirement from Collin County and extend to him sincere best wishes
18 for continued happiness; and, be it further

19 RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be
20 prepared for Sheriff Box as an expression of high regard by the
21 Texas House of Representatives.