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H.R. No. 1168

R E S O L U T I O N

1 WHEREAS, Billy B. Hopper of Mentone retired from his position
2 as sheriff of Loving County on December 31, 2014, after 15 years of
3 outstanding service; and

4 WHEREAS, Sheriff Hopper was first elected in 2004, after an
5 exemplary five-year tenure as deputy sheriff; in addition to his
6 work in law enforcement, he has worn many hats, serving local
7 citizens as the voter registrar and tax assessor and collector and
8 as the Loving County director of the West Texas Regional
9 Transportation Authority; and

10 WHEREAS, A veteran of the United States Air Force, Billy
11 Hopper holds a master peace officer license and has completed more
12 than 2,700 hours of education and training; furthermore, he is a
13 member of the Sheriffs' Association of Texas and the Big Bend Area
14 Law Enforcement Officers Association; and

15 WHEREAS, Loving County covers 645 square miles and has a
16 population of less than 100 people, and Sheriff Hopper's family
17 began homesteading on this rugged land in 1908; in retirement, he
18 will continue to serve as the county's reserve deputy, and he also
19 looks forward to spending more time with his loved ones and
20 traveling around the United States; and

21 WHEREAS, Throughout his tenure, Billy Hopper has exemplified
22 the highest ideals of the law enforcement profession, and in so
23 doing, he has contributed immeasurably to the safety and well-being
24 of his fellow Texans; now, therefore, be it

1 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 84th Texas
2 Legislature hereby congratulate Billy B. Hopper on his retirement
3 as sheriff of Loving County and extend to him sincere best wishes
4 for the future; and, be it further

5 RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be
6 prepared for Mr. Hopper as an expression of high regard by the Texas
7 House of Representatives.