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RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, The Arlington Police Department has achieved
 outstanding results in its efforts to decrease crime; and

3 WHEREAS, From 2013 to 2014, the overall crime rate in 4 Arlington has dropped nine percent, and the historic decrease from 5 2009 to 2014 was 33 percent; particularly large reductions were 6 seen in 2014 in homicides, which fell by almost 28 percent since the 7 previous year, and burglaries, which shrank by about 22 percent; 8 and

9 WHEREAS, The Arlington Police Department is committed to a geographic-policing philosophy that proactively addresses crime 10 11 and the fear of crime by building positive relationships between 12 citizens and beat officers in the neighborhoods; during 2014, the department collaborated with numerous volunteer groups, including 13 14 the Arlington Citizens Police Academy Alumni Association, the Hispanic Citizens Police Academy Alumni, Citizens on Patrol, and 15 16 225 Community Watch groups; and

WHEREAS, Under the skilled leadership of Chief Will Johnson, the Arlington Police Department works tirelessly to protect and serve the public, and its most recent statistics reflect an unyielding dedication to the safety, security, and well-being of area citizens; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 84th Texas Legislature hereby congratulate the Arlington Police Department on its accomplishments in crime reduction and extend to its officers,

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1 staff, and administration sincere best wishes for continued success
2 in their vital endeavors; and, be it further

3 RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be 4 prepared for the department as an expression of high regard by the 5 Texas House of Representatives.