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RESOLUTION

- 1 WHEREAS, John E. Bierschwale is retiring as deputy city
- 2 manager of Schertz on September 30, 2015, drawing to a close a
- 3 distinguished career in municipal government that has spanned 37
- 4 years; and
- 5 WHEREAS, Long dedicated to serving his hometown, Johnny
- 6 Bierschwale became a volunteer firefighter at the age of 15, and in
- 7 1978, he was hired by the city's streets and parks department and
- 8 was sworn in as a reserve police officer, a role he enjoyed for more
- 9 than a decade; he went on to be employed by the water department for
- 10 13 years and was later promoted to director of public works in July
- 11 1993; and
- WHEREAS, Mr. Bierschwale was named assistant city manager in
- 13 2002 and appointed deputy city manager in 2014; throughout his
- 14 tenure he has worked tirelessly to advance the common good, and his
- 15 outstanding efforts have earned him the deep appreciation of
- 16 colleagues and fellow citizens alike; and
- 17 WHEREAS, Over the years, Mr. Bierschwale has attained
- 18 numerous certifications from Texas A&M University and Texas State
- 19 University in such areas as law enforcement, waterworks, safety,
- 20 emergency response, fire service, disaster preparedness, and
- 21 management; in addition, he was presented with the 2010 Steve
- 22 Simonson Community Service Award by the city and the 1994
- 23 Distinguished Service Award by the Texas Municipal League; and
- 24 WHEREAS, With his skill, professionalism, and commitment to

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- 1 excellence, Johnny Bierschwale has helped make Schertz an even
- 2 better place in which to live, and he may reflect with satisfaction
- 3 on all that he has achieved as he embarks on the next exciting
- 4 chapter of his life; now, therefore, be it
- 5 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 84th Texas
- 6 Legislature hereby commend John E. Bierschwale on his service with
- 7 the City of Schertz and extend to him sincere best wishes for the
- 8 future; and, be it further
- 9 RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be
- 10 prepared for Mr. Bierschwale as an expression of high regard by the
- 11 Texas House of Representatives.

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Speaker of the House

I certify that H.R. No. 1949 was adopted by the House on May 21, 2015, by a non-record vote.

Chief Clerk of the House