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R E S O L U T I O N

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

12 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

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.