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H.R. No. 203

R E S O L U T I O N

1 WHEREAS, The city of Leander is celebrating the 40th
2 anniversary of the Leander Police Department with a "40 Years of
3 Service" event on March 10, 2018; and

4 WHEREAS, On January 21, 1978, the people of Leander voted to
5 incorporate their community, and on April 3 of that year, the city's
6 first law enforcement agency was created with the appointment of
7 Cecil D. Hill as chief city marshal; a few months later, the office
8 of city marshal was abolished, and Mr. Hill was named Leander's
9 first chief of police; and

10 WHEREAS, In the years since, Leander has grown from a small
11 rural town of 300 to a thriving city of more than 42,000, and the
12 police department has kept pace, moving from its original portable
13 building to several locations before settling in a new facility in
14 2007; today, the current chief, Greg Minton, oversees 50 sworn
15 officers and 15 civilian employees; and

16 WHEREAS, Thanks to the dedication and expertise of its police
17 department, the city of Leander has been named one of the Top 50
18 Safest Cities in Texas and the Top 100 Safest Cities in America by
19 such online venues as SafeWise.com, ValuePenguin, and
20 NeighborhoodScout.com; the department has also been commended by
21 the National Association of Town Watch for its participation in the
22 National Night Out program, and several of its officers have been
23 honored by Mothers Against Drunk Driving; and

24 WHEREAS, The men and women of the Leander Police Department,

1 both past and present, have worked tirelessly to preserve peace in
2 the community and to protect the lives and property of their fellow
3 citizens, and their record of service is indeed worthy of
4 recognition; now, therefore, be it

5 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 85th Texas
6 Legislature, 1st Called Session, hereby commemorate the 40th
7 anniversary of the Leander Police Department and extend to its
8 officers and staff sincere best wishes for continued success with
9 their important work; and, be it further

10 RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be
11 prepared for the Leander Police Department as an expression of high
12 regard by the Texas House of Representatives.