

R E S O L U T I O N

1           WHEREAS, Senior Trooper Michael A. Black is retiring from the  
2 Texas Department of Public Safety on August 31, 2017, drawing to a  
3 close a notable tenure with the department that has spanned nearly a  
4 quarter century; and

5           WHEREAS, Michael Black previously served his nation as a  
6 specialist crewman in the U.S. Navy from 1977 to 1981; he joined the  
7 DPS in February 1994 as a member of the Headquarters Security  
8 Service in Austin, and in 1996, he was assigned to the State Capitol  
9 as a police officer; reclassified as a Highway Patrol trooper on  
10 January 1, 2001, he continued to rise steadily through the ranks,  
11 achieving promotion to senior trooper in August 2016; he is  
12 certified as a master peace officer by the Texas Commission on Law  
13 Enforcement; and

14           WHEREAS, Appreciative of Trooper Black's cordial personality  
15 and "can-do" attitude, many legislators have come to rely upon him  
16 for assistance over the years; he is known for his extensive  
17 knowledge of the State Capitol and the Capitol Complex, and he has  
18 often been given special assignments by his superiors; in addition,  
19 he was a member of the Region VI DPS honor guard, and he played a  
20 leading role in the establishment of the Region VII DPS honor guard,  
21 where he currently serves as team leader; and

22           WHEREAS, In all his endeavors, Trooper Black enjoys the love  
23 and support of his wife, Lufanda Faye Black; he is the proud father  
24 of four children, Tremeka Devo, Shimiere Turner, Tiffany Turner,

1 and Michael A. Deshay, and a doting grandfather to Daurian Turner  
2 and to Endiya and Brayden Devo; a man of strong religious faith,  
3 Trooper Black is also active in his church; and

4 WHEREAS, Michael Black's expertise, professionalism, and  
5 devotion to the core values of the DPS have greatly benefited the  
6 citizens of Texas, and he may indeed reflect with pride on a career  
7 well spent as he embarks on the next exciting chapter of his life;  
8 now, therefore, be it

9 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 85th Texas  
10 Legislature, 1st Called Session, hereby congratulate Senior  
11 Trooper Michael A. Black on his retirement from the Texas  
12 Department of Public Safety and extend to him sincere best wishes  
13 for the future; and, be it further

14 RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be  
15 prepared for Senior Trooper Black as an expression of high regard by  
16 the Texas House of Representatives.

Giddings

Straus	Goldman	Oliverson
Allen	Gonzales of Williamson	Ortega
Alonzo	González of El Paso	Paddie
Alvarado	Gooden	Parker
Anchia	Guerra	Paul
Anderson of Dallas	Guillen	Perez
Anderson of McLennan	Gutierrez	Phelan
Arévalo	Hefner	Phillips
Ashby	Hernandez	Pickett
Bailes	Herrero	Price
Bell	Hinojosa	Raney
Bernal	Holland	Raymond
Biedermann	Howard	Reynolds
Blanco	Huberty	Rinaldi
Bohac	Hunter	Roberts
Bonnen of Brazoria	Isaac	Rodriguez of Bexar
Bonnen of Galveston	Israel	Rodriguez of Travis
Burkett	Johnson of Dallas	Romero, Jr.
Burns	Johnson of Harris	Rose
Burrows	Kacal	Sanford
Button	Keough	Schaefer
Cain	King of Hemphill	Schofield
Canales	King of Parker	Schubert
Capriglione	King of Uvalde	Shaheen
Clardy	Klick	Sheffield
Coleman	Koop	Shine
Collier	Krause	Simmons
Cook	Kuempel	Smithee
Cortez	Lambert	Springer
Cosper	Landgraf	Stephenson
Craddick	Lang	Stickland
Cyrier	Larson	Stucky
Dale	Laubenberg	Swanson
Darby	Leach	Thierry
Davis of Dallas	Longoria	Thompson of Brazoria
Davis of Harris	Lozano	Thompson of Harris
Dean	Lucio III	Tinderholt
Deshotel	Martinez	Turner
Dukes	Metcalf	Uresti
Dutton	Meyer	VanDeaver
Elkins	Miller	Villalba
Faircloth	Minjarez	Vo
Fallon	Moody	Walle
Farrar	Morrison	White
Flynn	Muñoz, Jr.	Wilson
Frank	Murphy	Workman
Frullo	Murr	Wray
Geren	Neave	Wu
Gervin-Hawkins	Nevárez	Zedler
Giddings	Oliveira	Zerwas

H.R. No. 406

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Speaker of the House

I certify that H.R. No. 406 was adopted by the House on August 14, 2017, by a non-record vote.

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Chief Clerk of the House