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## RESOLUTION

- 1 WHEREAS, Sheriff Dennis D. Wilson of Limestone County was
- 2 installed as president of the Sheriffs' Association of Texas in
- 3 July 2016, and this is a fitting opportunity to celebrate his
- 4 four-decade career in law enforcement; and
- 5 WHEREAS, A native of Limestone County, Sheriff Wilson
- 6 graduated from Groesbeck High School in 1973, attended Cisco Junior
- 7 College and Navarro Junior College, and graduated from the Heart of
- 8 Texas Council of Governments Police Academy in 1976; and
- 9 WHEREAS, This veteran peace officer began his career with the
- 10 Limestone County Sheriff's Department in 1975 as a deputy sheriff;
- 11 over the years, he rose steadily through the ranks, eventually
- 12 becoming a captain in the Criminal Investigations Division; from
- 13 November 1999 to December 2000, he was an investigator for the
- 14 district attorney's office, and he has been sheriff of Limestone
- 15 County since January 1, 2001; and
- WHEREAS, A leader in his profession, Sheriff Wilson is a life
- 17 member of the Texas Jail Association and the Sheriffs' Association
- 18 of Texas and a member of the American Jail Association, the National
- 19 Sheriffs' Association, and the Texas District and County Attorneys
- 20 Association; he is licensed as a master peace officer, and in 2005,
- 21 he received the Bert Ford Commendation from the Texas Alcoholic
- 22 Beverage Commission; in 2013 he was appointed to the Texas
- 23 Commission on Jail Standards by Governor Rick Perry, and in 2016 he
- 24 was reappointed to the commission by Governor Greg Abbott; and

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- 1 WHEREAS, Sheriff Wilson is also a member and past president
- 2 of the Groesbeck Lions Club, a member and past master of Groesbeck
- 3 Masonic Lodge No. 354, and a member of the Centex Citizens Credit
- 4 Union board; and
- 5 WHEREAS, Sheriff Wilson's dedication to the highest
- 6 standards of his profession has greatly benefited the citizens of
- 7 Limestone County and earned the respect of law enforcement officers
- 8 throughout the Lone Star State, and his knowledge and experience
- 9 make him an ideal choice to lead the Sheriffs' Association of Texas;
- 10 now, therefore, be it
- 11 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 85th Texas
- 12 Legislature hereby congratulate Dennis Wilson on his installation
- 13 as president of the Sheriffs' Association of Texas and extend to him
- 14 sincere best wishes for continued success; and, be it further
- 15 RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be
- 16 prepared for Sheriff Wilson as an expression of high regard by the
- 17 Texas House of Representatives.

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Speaker of the House

I certify that H.R. No. 558 was adopted by the House on March 2, 2017, by a non-record vote.

Chief Clerk of the House