

By: Davis of Dallas

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R E S O L U T I O N

1 WHEREAS, Charles Ray Sims is being presented with a Lifetime
2 Achievement Award by the City of Cedar Hill on March 28, 2017; and

3 WHEREAS, Mr. Sims enjoyed a notable career as a firefighter
4 that spanned more than four and a half decades; in 1949, he joined
5 the Cedar Hill Volunteer Fire Department, where he eventually
6 became the city's first paid fire chief; he retired from that post
7 in February 1995, and five years later, the city honored his
8 exemplary service by renaming the Central Fire Station in his
9 honor; and

10 WHEREAS, A member of the Cedar Hill High School Class of 1943,
11 Mr. Sims answered his nation's call to duty during World War II as a
12 member of the U.S. Army, serving primarily in the Pacific theater;
13 following his discharge, he was employed at the Reserve Life
14 Insurance Company in Dallas for 15 years and subsequently began
15 working at Sims Grocery, which he and his wife, Verna Jean, later
16 acquired; the couple operated the store until 1984; and

17 WHEREAS, Through his long-standing commitment to protecting
18 the lives and property of his fellow citizens, Charles Ray Sims has
19 earned the lasting gratitude of the Cedar Hill community, and it is
20 indeed a pleasure to join in recognizing him on this special
21 occasion; now, therefore, be it

22 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 85th Texas
23 Legislature hereby congratulate Charles Ray Sims on his receipt of
24 a 2017 Lifetime Achievement Award from the City of Cedar Hill and

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1 extend to him sincere best wishes for the future; and, be it further
2 RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be
3 prepared for Mr. Sims as an expression of high regard by the Texas
4 House of Representatives.