

By: Herrero

H.R. No. 920

R E S O L U T I O N

1           WHEREAS, Captain Elvin Bates has been named the 2017  
2 Prevention Officer of the Year by the Corpus Christi Fire  
3 Department; and

4           WHEREAS, Captain Bates began his career with the Corpus  
5 Christi Fire Department in 1968, and over the years, he has rendered  
6 outstanding service to his community, which now boasts a population  
7 of more than 320,000 and encompasses an area extending across 170  
8 square miles; and

9           WHEREAS, During his 45-year tenure with the department,  
10 Captain Bates has been instrumental in the development of the  
11 Corpus Christi Hazardous Materials Unit, of which he was a founding  
12 member; in 2009, he joined the Fire Prevention Bureau, whose  
13 mission includes educating the public about fire safety measures,  
14 and he has spent countless hours making sure homes in the community  
15 are properly outfitted with working smoke detectors; and

16           WHEREAS, Captain Elvin Bates has proven himself to be an  
17 exemplary member of his profession, and he may indeed reflect with  
18 pride on the vital part he plays in ensuring the safety and welfare  
19 of the citizens of Corpus Christi; now, therefore, be it

20           RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 85th Texas  
21 Legislature hereby congratulate Captain Elvin Bates on his  
22 selection as the Corpus Christi Fire Department's 2017 Prevention  
23 Officer of the Year and extend to him sincere best wishes for  
24 continued success; and, be it further

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1           RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be  
2 prepared for Captain Bates as an expression of high regard by the  
3 Texas House of Representatives.