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## RESOLUTION

1 WHEREAS, The Texas House of Representatives is pleased to 2 recognize the officers and staff of Region VII of the Texas 3 Department of Public Safety for their commitment to protecting and 4 serving the legislators and state employees of the Capitol Complex 5 in Austin; and

6 WHEREAS, Since September 1991, the men and women of Region 7 VII have been responsible for the security of the 46 square-block 8 area around the State Capitol that encompasses many state 9 government facilities; supervised by the regional commander, the 10 region's staff includes commissioned and noncommissioned personnel 11 who are divided into details that cover the complex; and

12 WHEREAS, Their responsibilities include providing police and security patrol of the Capitol grounds, traffic supervision and 13 14 enforcement, parking administration, protection for visiting dignitaries, monitoring surveillance cameras, and staffing the 15 16 x-ray machines and metal detectors at the Capitol's entrances; in addition, the region's skilled and dedicated personnel also 17 investigate crimes, conduct vulnerability assessments to mitigate 18 risk, and deal with crowd control during rallies and demonstrations 19 20 on the Capitol grounds; and

21 WHEREAS, For over a quarter century, the officers of Region 22 VII of the DPS have worked tirelessly to maintain law, order, and 23 civility in the Capitol Complex, allowing the state's legislators 24 and employees to safely and securely conduct the people's business;

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1 now, therefore, be it

2 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 85th Texas 3 Legislature hereby commend Region VII of the Texas Department of 4 Public Safety for its outstanding record of protecting the Capitol 5 Complex in Austin and extend to the region's officers and civilian 6 staff sincere best wishes for continued success in their important 7 work; and, be it further

8 RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be 9 prepared for Region VII as an expression of gratitude and high 10 regard by the Texas House of Representatives.