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## RESOLUTION

1 WHEREAS, Wally Cox received well-deserved recognition for 2 his exemplary service as chief of Gainesville Fire-Rescue when his 3 name was added to the city's firefighter memorial at a ceremony on 4 September 11, 2018; and

5 WHEREAS, During the event, bricks commemorating the 6 contributions of Mr. Cox and three other former Gainesville first 7 responders were officially placed in the monument; in addition to 8 acknowledging the dedicated individuals who have served with the 9 department, both the memorial and the ceremony pay tribute to all 10 those who lost their lives during the 9/11 terrorist attacks; and

11 WHEREAS, Past fire chief Wally Cox has been part of 12 Gainesville Fire-Rescue for a total of 41 years, first as a 13 volunteer and later as a career firefighter; in retirement, he has 14 remained involved in the department, researching and documenting 15 its history for future generations; and

16 WHEREAS, Wally Cox's courage, commitment, and 17 professionalism greatly benefited the people of Gainesville, and he 18 may take justifiable pride in his receipt of this heartfelt honor 19 from his community; now, therefore, be it

20 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 86th Texas 21 Legislature hereby congratulate Wally Cox on the addition of his 22 name to the Gainesville firefighter memorial and extend to him 23 sincere best wishes for the future; and, be it further

24 RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be

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prepared for Mr. Cox as an expression of high regard by the Texas
House of Representatives.