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## RESOLUTION

1 WHEREAS, Martin County Sheriff Brad Ingram and the Martin

2 County Commissioners Court are hosting a dedication and open house

3 for the Dan Saunders Law Enforcement Center in Stanton on February

4 25, 2019; and

5 WHEREAS, Designed by DRG Architects, LLC, of San Antonio and

6 constructed by MW Builders of Midland, the new jail and law

7 enforcement center is the culmination of a cooperative effort on

8 the part of the Martin County Sheriff's Office and other county

9 officials; and

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10 WHEREAS, The facility is named in honor of the late Dan

11 Saunders, who served as sheriff of Martin County for nearly four

12 decades, from 1953 to 1992; he was greatly admired for his integrity

13 and his dedication to protecting the well-being of his fellow

citizens as well as for the concern he showed to prisoners at the

15 jail; the sheriff's long tenure coincided with a great deal of

16 change for the county, and he was the last sheriff to oversee its

17 "old jail," which has since been converted into a museum and

18 designated a Recorded Texas Historic Landmark; Sheriff Saunders

19 passed away on April 27, 1995, at the age of 69; and

20 WHEREAS, The dedication of the Dan Saunders Law Enforcement

21 Center represents a fitting tribute to one of Martin County's most

22 respected law enforcement officers, and the completion of this

23 project ensures that the county will be even better equipped to meet

24 the needs of its criminal justice system in the years to come; now,

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- 1 therefore, be it
- 2 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 86th Texas
- 3 Legislature hereby commemorate the dedication of the Dan Saunders
- 4 Law Enforcement Center in Stanton and commend all those involved in
- 5 bringing this endeavor to fruition for their vision, leadership,
- 6 and hard work.