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R E S O L U T I O N

1           WHEREAS, Henry L. Whitman Jr. of Floresville has provided  
2 outstanding leadership to the Texas Department of Family and  
3 Protective Services in his role as commissioner; and

4           WHEREAS, Appointed in 2016, Hank Whitman has overseen the  
5 diverse and complex operations of the department, including child  
6 protective services as well as in-home adult protective services,  
7 foster care, and child abuse prevention and early intervention; he  
8 has further benefited youth as a mentor in the Big Brothers Big  
9 Sisters program, and he serves as chair of the Texas Ranger Hall of  
10 Fame and Museum; and

11           WHEREAS, Mr. Whitman previously served his fellow citizens  
12 for 22 years with the Texas Department of Public Safety; he joined  
13 the agency as a state trooper in 1990 and rose to become a criminal  
14 intelligence investigator before joining the Texas Rangers; named  
15 chief of the Texas Rangers in 2011, he created and supervised the  
16 elite Texas Ranger Reconnaissance Team and led border security  
17 operations, among other achievements; following his retirement in  
18 2012, he provided security consulting and private investigation  
19 services as president of Whitman Consulting; and

20           WHEREAS, Born in Hebronville, Mr. Whitman grew up in Corpus  
21 Christi and served in the U.S. Marine Corps for four years; he began  
22 his career in law enforcement with the Corpus Christi Police  
23 Department; after completing his bachelor's degree at Southwest  
24 Texas State University, he went on to receive a master of public

1 administration degree in criminal justice from Texas A&M  
2 University-Corpus Christi; he is also a graduate of the  
3 Northwestern University Center for Police Staff and Command and the  
4 FBI's National Academy; and

5 WHEREAS, Through his skill, professionalism, and commitment  
6 to excellence, Hank Whitman has contributed greatly to DFPS, and he  
7 has earned the admiration and appreciation of his colleagues and  
8 fellow citizens alike; now, therefore, be it

9 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 86th Texas  
10 Legislature hereby honor Henry L. Whitman Jr. for his exemplary  
11 service as commissioner of the Texas Department of Family and  
12 Protective Services and extend to him sincere best wishes for the  
13 future; and, be it further

14 RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be  
15 prepared for Mr. Whitman as an expression of high regard by the  
16 Texas House of Representatives.