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SENATE RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, Lieutenant Colonel Randall B. Prince is retiring from the Texas Department of Public Safety on August 31, 2021, drawing to a close an outstanding career in law enforcement that has spanned more than three decades; and

WHEREAS, This veteran peace officer first joined DPS in October 1988, and he was commissioned as a highway patrol officer in Navasota the following year; he went on to serve with the Motor Vehicle Theft unit in Conroe, and in 1997 he was promoted to the Texas Rangers; rising steadily through the ranks, he served the rangers as a lieutenant in Houston and, at the rank of captain and major, as commander of the ranger company in Lubbock; and

WHEREAS, In 2011, Lieutenant Colonel Prince was promoted to regional director in Lubbock, where he was responsible for all DPS operations in the 70-county region of West Texas and the Panhandle, and from October 2014 until July 2018, he was the chief of the Texas Rangers, overseeing the investigation of major crimes, officer-involved shooting incidents, and public integrity crimes as well as border security operations and the apprehension of fugitives; since 2018, he has served as the DPS deputy director for law enforcement operations; and

WHEREAS, Randy Prince earned his bachelor's degree in criminal justice from Texas State University, and he is also a graduate of the FBI National Academy and the Governor's Executive Development Program; he is certified as a master peace officer; and

WHEREAS, In all his endeavors, Mr. Prince has enjoyed the love and support of his wife, Karen, and his two children, Morgan Prince and Travis Sterling; and

WHEREAS, Randy Prince's dedication, expertise, and commitment to preserving the peace have greatly benefited the people of Texas and earned him the respect and admiration of his fellow officers, and he may indeed reflect with pride on a career well spent as he embarks upon the next exciting chapter of his life; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That the Senate of the 87th Texas Legislature, 2nd Called Session, hereby congratulate Lieutenant Colonel Randall B. Prince on his retirement from the Texas Department of Public Safety and extend to him sincere best wishes for continued happiness; and, be it further

RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be prepared for Lieutenant Colonel Prince as an expression of high regard by the Texas Senate.