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R E S O L U T I O N

1           WHEREAS, Teresa Rangel is retiring as chief of community  
2 relations for the U.S. Army at Fort Bliss in October 2021, drawing  
3 to a close an exemplary career with the Public Affairs Office that  
4 has spanned nearly three decades; and

5           WHEREAS, Among her many responsibilities at the Fort Bliss  
6 installation in El Paso, Ms. Rangel conducts briefings for military  
7 personnel, coordinates press conferences for local, national, and  
8 international journalists, and manages crisis communications;  
9 moreover, she writes speeches for senior staff in both English and  
10 Spanish, serves as a Spanish spokesperson for television, radio,  
11 and print media, and supervises new employees; and

12           WHEREAS, A longtime senior communications specialist,  
13 Ms. Rangel has arranged interviews for such high-profile figures as  
14 the president of the United States and visits by U.S. secretaries of  
15 defense; additionally, she has traveled with former Iraq War  
16 prisoners of war as a public affairs escort, served as a garrison  
17 tour guide for international dignitaries, and promoted the  
18 professionalism and leadership of U.S. Army soldiers through a  
19 variety of community events; and

20           WHEREAS, An engaged citizen, Ms. Rangel is actively involved  
21 with a number of veterans organizations and has served on the Sun  
22 Bowl Association Board of Advisors since 2010; she has further  
23 distinguished herself as a member of the board of Associates of  
24 Vietnam Veterans of America, as president of AVVA Chapter No. 574,

1 and as director of AVVA Region 7, and she has been honored as the  
2 AVVA National and Texas Associate Member of the Year; moreover, she  
3 has received numerous accolades over the course of her career,  
4 including four Special Act Awards from the Public Affairs Office,  
5 an Achievement Award for Civilian Service, and a Commanding  
6 General's Award for Civilian Service; she holds a bachelor's degree  
7 in communication-public relations from The University of Texas at  
8 El Paso; and

9 WHEREAS, Teresa Rangel's dedication, hard work, and  
10 commitment to excellence have greatly benefited the mission of the  
11 U.S. Army at Fort Bliss, and she may indeed reflect with pride on a  
12 career well spent as she embarks on the next exciting chapter of her  
13 life; now, therefore, be it

14 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 87th Texas  
15 Legislature, 3rd Called Session, hereby congratulate Teresa Rangel  
16 on her retirement as chief of community relations at Fort Bliss and  
17 extend to her sincere best wishes for the future; and, be it further

18 RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be  
19 prepared for Ms. Rangel as an expression of high regard by the Texas  
20 House of Representatives.