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H.R. No. 62

R E S O L U T I O N

1 WHEREAS, Dennis M. Allen is retiring from the Hardin County
2 Sheriff's Office in October 2021, drawing to a close a rewarding
3 career in public service that has spanned five and a half decades;
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5 WHEREAS, A native of Silsbee, Mr. Allen joined the U.S. Army
6 in 1966 and served with distinction during a combat tour in Vietnam;
7 after three years in the military, he was honorably discharged at
8 the rank of specialist; and

9 WHEREAS, Mr. Allen subsequently became a law enforcement
10 officer, joining the Washington, D.C., Metropolitan Police
11 Department in 1969; during his tenure there, he served as a patrol
12 officer, an undercover detective, and a member of the Civil
13 Disturbance Unit; in 1973, he accepted a position with the Silsbee
14 Police Department, and he eventually led the agency as the chief of
15 police; after a brief stint as a sheriff's deputy in Hardin County,
16 he became a member of the Polk County Sheriff's Office, where he
17 spent a decade as the captain of detectives; he returned to the
18 Hardin County Sheriff's Office in 2011, starting out as a deputy and
19 rising through the ranks to sergeant and later to major of criminal
20 investigations; known for his integrity and dedication to
21 protecting and serving the public, he has mentored numerous new
22 officers, many of whom have gone on to become supervisors and
23 administrators; and

24 WHEREAS, For more than a half century, Dennis Allen has

1 exemplified the highest ideals of the law enforcement profession,
2 and he may indeed reflect with pride on his notable record of
3 achievement; now, therefore, be it

4 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 87th Texas
5 Legislature, 3rd Called Session, hereby congratulate Dennis
6 M. Allen on his retirement from the Hardin County Sheriff's Office
7 and extend to him sincere best wishes for the future; and, be it
8 further

9 RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be
10 prepared for Mr. Allen as an expression of high regard by the Texas
11 House of Representatives.