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H.R. No. 456

R E S O L U T I O N

1 WHEREAS, The Rockwall County Sheriff's Posse is celebrating
2 its 30th anniversary on April 8, 2021, and this is a fitting
3 opportunity to pay tribute to the many contributions of this fine
4 organization; and

5 WHEREAS, Established in 1991 by Rockwall County Sheriff
6 Jacques Kiere and Roy Hance, the posse is a corps of local horseback
7 riders who regularly take part in parades and other special events
8 in the county; wearing uniforms of white and blue and mounted on
9 matching red sorrel horses, these riders carry the Texas and
10 American flags in a powerful display of patriotism and Western
11 heritage; and

12 WHEREAS, In addition, the members of the posse are trained in
13 public safety and emergency response practices, capable of taking
14 their skills where vehicles can't go; they regularly participate in
15 missing person searches, help round up loose livestock, and assist
16 with crowd control at events; in the aftermath of the crash of the
17 space shuttle *Columbia* in 2003, they helped find and recover debris
18 in East Texas; and

19 WHEREAS, Well-trained and organized in a military structure,
20 the members of the posse have earned considerable acclaim across
21 Texas, and they have won multiple awards at the Southwestern
22 Exposition and Livestock Show Parade in Fort Worth; and

23 WHEREAS, For three decades, the members of the Rockwall
24 County Sheriff's Posse have proudly represented their county at

1 public events while also standing ready to come to the aid of law
2 enforcement, and they are truly deserving of recognition on this
3 special occasion; now, therefore, be it

4 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 87th Texas
5 Legislature hereby commemorate the 30th anniversary of the Rockwall
6 County Sheriff's Posse and extend to all those associated with the
7 posse sincere best wishes for continued success in their important
8 work; and, be it further

9 RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be
10 prepared for the Rockwall County Sheriff's Posse as an expression
11 of high regard by the Texas House of Representatives.