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R E S O L U T I O N

1 WHEREAS, Dr. Tom Johnson retired from private practice on
2 March 31, 2021, drawing to a close a distinguished career as a
3 military and civilian physician that spanned half a century; and

4 WHEREAS, A 1971 graduate of the U.S. Air Force Academy,
5 Dr. Johnson earned his medical degree from the University of South
6 Carolina, and he went on to study aerospace medicine at Brooks Air
7 Force Base in San Antonio, receiving his flight surgeon's wings in
8 1975; he worked at the cadet clinic at the Air Force Academy and
9 completed a family practice internship at Scott AFB, as well as a
10 residency in diagnostic radiology at Wilford Hall Medical Center in
11 San Antonio, before serving as chief of diagnostic radiology at
12 Malcolm Grow Medical Center at Andrews AFB; and

13 WHEREAS, In the 1980s, Dr. Johnson set up a private practice
14 in North Carolina while remaining active with the Air Force
15 Reserve; in 1989, he returned to active duty as chair of the
16 radiology department of the USAF Surgeon General in Germany;
17 returning to the U.S., he served as chief of diagnostic radiology at
18 Wilford Hall and as chair of the department of radiology, director
19 of the radiology residence program, and radiology and nuclear
20 medicine consultant to the USAF Surgeon General; and

21 WHEREAS, Promoted to colonel in 1995, Dr. Johnson was
22 appointed as chair of a radiology business process re-engineering
23 working group in Washington, D.C.; he also represented the air
24 force in the American College of Radiology and the Radiological

1 Society of North America and taught at The University of Texas
2 Health Science Center at San Antonio; his awards include the Legion
3 of Merit, the Meritorious Service Medal with one oak leaf cluster,
4 and the National Defense Service Medal with a bronze star; and

5 WHEREAS, Dr. Johnson ended his military career as chair of
6 the department of radiology at Wilford Hall and as deputy commander
7 of the 59th Medical Diagnostic and Therapeutics Group, retiring
8 from the air force in 1998 after 27 years; he then set up GMN
9 Associates in Plano, a private radiology practice specializing in
10 mammography, where he has earned the deep respect and admiration of
11 his staff and patients alike; and

12 WHEREAS, In all his endeavors, Dr. Johnson benefits from the
13 love and support of his wife, Nancy, and his four children, Beth,
14 Sarah, Matthew, and Mary; and

15 WHEREAS, Dr. Tom Johnson's dedication, vast expertise, and
16 commitment to excellence have greatly benefited countless patients
17 over the years, and he may indeed reflect with pride on a career
18 well spent as he embarks on the next exciting chapter of his life;
19 now, therefore, be it

20 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 87th Texas
21 Legislature hereby congratulate Dr. Tom Johnson on his retirement
22 and extend to him sincere best wishes for continued happiness; and,
23 be it further

24 RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be
25 prepared for Dr. Johnson as an expression of high regard by the
26 Texas House of Representatives.