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H.R. No. 1294

R E S O L U T I O N

1 WHEREAS, Chief Warrant Officer Gregg Swanson is retiring from
2 the U.S. Army on May 17, 2021, drawing to a close nearly two decades
3 of service to his nation; and

4 WHEREAS, Gregg Swanson enlisted in the army on September 17,
5 2001, and received his basic and advanced training at Fort Sill,
6 Oklahoma, and Fort Huachuca, Arizona; he served at Camp Essayons in
7 South Korea as an intelligence analyst before transferring to Fort
8 Drum, New York, and deploying to Iraq for 13 months at the rank of
9 corporal; following his promotion to sergeant, he worked as an
10 airborne targeting surveillance supervisor at Robins Air Force Base
11 in Georgia, where he was deployed several times between 2006 and
12 2010 and became the lead evaluator; and

13 WHEREAS, In 2010, Sergeant Swanson was accepted into the Army
14 Warrant Officer Flight Program and trained to fly the OH-58D Kiowa
15 Warrior helicopter, and in 2012, he was deployed out of Hunter Army
16 Airfield in Georgia to Kandahar, Afghanistan, where he was pilot in
17 command and trained junior pilots; after training as a fixed-wing
18 pilot, he was transferred to Camp Humphreys in Pyeongtaek, South
19 Korea, where as pilot in command he flew intelligence missions for
20 two and a half years along the border of North Korea in an RC-12X
21 Guardrail aircraft; he also served another combat deployment in
22 Afghanistan and helped set up operations for missions in Eastern
23 Europe; he is completing his military service at Fort Bliss in El
24 Paso; and

1 WHEREAS, Chief Warrant Officer Gregg Swanson's courage,
2 skill, and dedication to duty have greatly benefited the defense of
3 our nation and earned him the respect and admiration of his fellow
4 soldiers, and he may indeed reflect with pride on his record of
5 outstanding service as he embarks on the next exciting chapter of
6 his life; now, therefore, be it

7 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 87th Texas
8 Legislature hereby congratulate Chief Warrant Officer Gregg
9 Swanson on his retirement from the U.S. Army and extend to him
10 sincere best wishes for continued success and happiness; and, be it
11 further

12 RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be
13 prepared for Chief Warrant Officer Swanson as an expression of high
14 regard by the Texas House of Representatives.