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R E S O L U T I O N

1           WHEREAS, Deputy Chief Larry D. Simmons is retiring from the  
2 Grand Prairie Police Department on June 4, 2021, after 32 years of  
3 dedicated service to the agency; and

4           WHEREAS, An army veteran, Larry Simmons began his career with  
5 the Grand Prairie Police Department on January 23, 1989; over the  
6 succeeding years, he worked in many fields within the agency and  
7 rose through the ranks from police officer to sergeant to  
8 lieutenant; in 2014, he was appointed deputy chief, becoming the  
9 first African American to hold that post in the department's  
10 history; and

11           WHEREAS, For more than three decades, Larry Simmons has  
12 exemplified the highest ideals of the law enforcement profession  
13 and contributed immeasurably to the safety and well-being of Grand  
14 Prairie residents, and he may indeed reflect with pride on his  
15 notable record of achievement; now, therefore, be it

16           RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 87th Texas  
17 Legislature hereby congratulate Deputy Chief Larry D. Simmons on  
18 his retirement from the Grand Prairie Police Department and extend  
19 to him sincere best wishes for the future; and, be it further

20           RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be  
21 prepared for Deputy Chief Simmons as an expression of high regard by  
22 the Texas House of Representatives.