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RESOLUTION

1 WHEREAS, Bryan Collier is retiring from the Texas Department 2 of Criminal Justice on August 31, 2025, and the conclusion of his

3 40-year career with the agency provides a fitting opportunity to

4 reflect on his many contributions; and

5 WHEREAS, Mr. Collier joined TDCJ as a clerk in 1985, and he 6 went on to serve in a number of capacities, including as a

7 correctional officer, parole officer, section director, parole

8 division director, and deputy executive director; he assumed his

9 current role as executive director in 2016, and for nearly a decade,

10 he has overseen the operations of one of the largest adult criminal

11 justice systems in the nation; and

12 WHEREAS, Under Mr. Collier's able guidance, TDCJ has 13 significantly reduced recidivism while investing in the

14 rehabilitation and reentry of individuals who have been

15 incarcerated; in addition, he has worked with state officials to

16 secure pay raises for correctional staff and parole officers, and

17 he has helped to implement a number of transformative programs for

18 peer support and inmate self-improvement; he also recently

19 commemorated the ground-breaking of a new training facility; and

20 WHEREAS, An active member of the American Correctional

21 Association, Mr. Collier has served on the organization's board of

22 governors, and he has further distinguished himself as vice-chair

23 of the performance-based standards committee; additionally, he has

24 served the Correctional Leaders Association as chair of the

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- 1 Southern Region and the recruitment and retention committee, and he
- 2 is a past president of the Texas Corrections Association; and
- 3 WHEREAS, Mr. Collier has been recognized with the Best in the
- 4 Business award and the E. R. Cass Correctional Achievement Award
- 5 from ACA as well as the Michael Francke Career Achievement Award
- 6 from CLA; moreover, he was inducted into the Texas Correction
- 7 Association's Dr. George J. Beto Hall of Honor; and
- 8 WHEREAS, Throughout his tenure, Bryan Collier has helped
- 9 advance the important mission of the Texas Department of Criminal
- 10 Justice, and he may take well-deserved pride in his exceptional
- 11 record of achievement; now, therefore, be it
- RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 89th Texas
- 13 Legislature, 2nd Called Session, hereby congratulate Bryan Collier
- 14 on his retirement from the Texas Department of Criminal Justice and
- 15 extend to him sincere best wishes for the future; and, be it further
- RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be
- 17 prepared for Mr. Collier as an expression of high regard by the
- 18 Texas House of Representatives.