## HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

- 1 WHEREAS, John B. Cortelyou is retiring in February 2019 as
- 2 the Camp County constable, drawing to a close a notable career in
- 3 law enforcement that has spanned nearly half a century; and
- WHEREAS, Born in 1943 to John and Augusta Cortelyou in
- 5 Woodville, Mississippi, John Cortelyou first became a peace officer
- 6 when he joined the police department of Murray, Kentucky, serving
- 7 from 1962 to 1964; after working for nearly 10 years in the private
- 8 sector, he returned to law enforcement as a lieutenant in the Harris
- 9 County Sheriff's Department from 1973 to 1984, and from 1983 to
- 10 1984, he also served as a reserve officer for the Dayton Police
- 11 Department; and
- WHEREAS, Mr. Cortelyou went on to become a full-time officer
- 13 in Dayton, rising to the rank of sergeant and serving as assistant
- 14 chief; he later worked for the Hedwig Village Police Department,
- 15 and starting in 1994, he was an officer with the Spring Branch
- 16 Independent School District for 12 years, retiring in 2006 as
- 17 assistant chief; and
- 18 WHEREAS, Shortly after settling in Camp County,
- 19 Mr. Cortelyou accepted the position of chief deputy in the county
- 20 sheriff's office, and in 2008, he was appointed to fill a vacancy as
- 21 county constable; he went on to be elected to three more terms, and
- 22 during his exemplary tenure, he served as the county's emergency
- 23 management coordinator and IT manager and drafted many grant
- 24 applications to benefit local law enforcement agencies; and

- 1 WHEREAS, In all his endeavors, Mr. Cortelyou has enjoyed the
- 2 love and support of his wife, Linda; and
- 3 WHEREAS, Over the course of his exemplary 48 years in law
- 4 enforcement, John Cortelyou's dedication, courage, and commitment
- 5 to preserving the peace and security of the public have greatly
- 6 benefited his fellow Texans, and he may indeed reflect with pride on
- 7 a career well spent as he embarks on the next exciting chapter of
- 8 his life; now, therefore, be it
- 9 RESOLVED, That the 86th Legislature of the State of Texas
- 10 hereby congratulate John B. Cortelyou on his retirement as Camp
- 11 County constable and extend to him sincere best wishes for
- 12 continued happiness; and, be it further
- 13 RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be
- 14 prepared for Mr. Cortelyou as an expression of high regard by the
- 15 Texas House of Representatives and Senate.

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H.C.R. No. 63

President of the Senate

Speaker of the House

I certify that H.C.R. No. 63 was adopted by the House on

February 12, 2019, by a non-record vote.

Chief Clerk of the House

I certify that H.C.R. No. 63 was adopted by the Senate on

February 12, 2019, by a viva-voce vote.

Secretary of the Senate

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