

R E S O L U T I O N

1 WHEREAS, The El Paso County Sheriff's Office Special
2 Operations Bureau has contributed significantly to the safety of
3 area residents; and

4 WHEREAS, The bureau focuses investigative resources against
5 individuals and organizations believed to be involved in criminal
6 enterprises, and in fiscal year 2010, its deputies seized more than
7 \$5 million worth of narcotics and made over 570 arrests, leading to
8 367 felony charges and 213 convictions; and

9 WHEREAS, Also during 2010, the bureau's Border Crimes
10 Initiative, which consists of a team of detectives that concentrate
11 on narcotics, burglary, robbery, homicide, and human smuggling, was
12 nominated by the Office of the Governor's Criminal Justice Division
13 to become a nationally recognized program; and

14 WHEREAS, Under the leadership of Commander Gomecindo Lopez,
15 the El Paso County Sheriff's Office Special Operations Bureau
16 includes Lieutenant Larry Guerra, Sergeants Christopher Paz and
17 Ryan Urrutia, Detectives Francisco Chavez, Jose Guzman, Benjamin
18 Perales, Jose Rivera, Luis Rodriguez, Joe Williamson, Albert
19 Montoya, John Greer, and Robert Horstman, and Deputies Louis
20 Almonte, George Johnson, Alfredo Tellez, Moises Gutierrez, Robert
21 Torres, and Manuel Marquez; and

22 WHEREAS, The dedicated efforts of the Special Operations
23 Bureau and other local law enforcement agencies have paid off; El
24 Paso was named the safest city in the United States among those with

1 more than 500,000 people in the *City Crime Rankings 2010-2011*,
2 published by CQ Press; and

3 WHEREAS, Members of the El Paso County Sheriff's Office
4 Special Operations Bureau have excelled in supporting the
5 department's mission to protect the lives and property of area
6 residents, and it is indeed a pleasure to recognize these
7 distinguished law enforcement professionals; now, therefore, be it

8 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 82nd Texas
9 Legislature hereby honor the El Paso County Sheriff's Office
10 Special Operations Bureau for its outstanding contributions to
11 public safety and extend to all those associated with the
12 organization sincere best wishes for continued success; and, be it
13 further

14 RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be
15 prepared for the bureau as an expression of high regard by the Texas
16 House of Representatives.

Marquez

H.R. No. 2269

Speaker of the House

I certify that H.R. No. 2269 was adopted by the House on May 30, 2011, by a non-record vote.

Chief Clerk of the House