ENROLLED SENATE
RESOLUTION NO. 88

By: Nichols, Capps, Adelson, Aldridge, Anderson, Barrington, Bass, Branan, Brogdon, Cain, Coates, Coffee, Corn, Crain, Crutchfield, Easley, Eason McIntyre, Fisher, Ford, Garrison, Gumm, Harrison, Hobson, Johnson (Constance), Johnson (Mike), Jolley, Justice, Lamb, Laster, Laughlin, Lawler, Leftwich, Lerblance, Mazzei, Morgan, Myers, Paddack, Pruitt, Rabon, Reynolds, Riley, Shurden, Taylor, Wilcoxson, Williamson, Wilson and Wyrick

A Resolution thanking Colonel Gary D. Adams for 38 years of service in the Oklahoma Highway Patrol; wishing him well upon the occasion of his retirement; and directing distribution.

WHEREAS, Colonel Gary D. Adams was born January 28, 1944, in Hobart, Oklahoma. He attended Southwestern State University, Weatherford; Oklahoma City University; Northern Oklahoma College; and received specialized training at Northwestern University and Virginia University. He graduated from the 131st Session of the Federal Bureau of Investigation National Academy and the 95th Session of the Dignitary Protection Seminar held by the United States Secret Service; and

WHEREAS, Colonel Gary D. Adams and wife, Lanette B. Adams, have three children: Christopher Lee, Melissa Kay, and Abby Ledawn, as well as three grandchildren. He serves as Chair of Deacons at Twelve Corners Baptist Church in Noble, Oklahoma; and

WHEREAS, Colonel Gary D. Adams was an Eagle Scout and attended Boys State. As a member of the United States Marine Corps, Gary served honorably in Vietnam and was awarded the National Defense Award and Distinguished Medal of Valor; and

WHEREAS, Colonel Gary D. Adams graduated from the 24th Oklahoma Highway Patrol Academy in 1968 and has served in the Guthrie and Norman detachments of Troop A, Supervisor in Troop E in Durant, and in the Training Division as Supervisor, Commandant, and Commander of Troop R of the State Capitol Patrol; and

WHEREAS, Colonel Gary D. Adams was promoted to the rank of Captain in 1986, served as Turnpike Liaison for ten years, and was promoted to the rank of Chief of Patrol in 1997. He is Chair of the Southern Region of the International Association of Chiefs of Police, State and Provincial Police Division, is on the Advisory Committee for the Federal Law Enforcement Training Center (FLETC), and is on the Advisory Committee at Oklahoma State University, Oklahoma City campus; and

WHEREAS, Colonel Gary D. Adams has written a number of articles on law enforcement for training manuals and law enforcement publications. He has been recognized nationally and internationally for the development of the Emergency Vehicle Operations Training and advanced motor vehicle accident reconstruction; and

WHEREAS, Colonel Gary D. Adams, after 38 years of uncompromising dedication to public safety, has reached eligibility for retirement. His service will be greatly missed by the citizens of this state.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE OF THE 2ND SESSION OF THE 50TH OKLAHOMA LEGISLATURE:

THAT the Oklahoma State Senate thanks and commends Colonel Gary D. Adams for his 38 years of service as an Oklahoma Highway Patrolman.

THAT the Oklahoma State Senate wishes Colonel Gary D. Adams well upon the occasion of his retirement from the Oklahoma Highway Patrol.

THAT a copy of this resolution be distributed to Colonel Gary D. Adams.

Adopted by the Senate the 10th day of April, 2006.

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Presiding Officer of the Senate