

Resolution

WHEREAS, Robert “Bob” Royall Jr., Assistant Chief of Emergency Operations, will retire from the Harris County Fire Marshal's Office on July 31, 2022, after 18 years of service to Harris County and 49 years of public safety service; and

WHEREAS, Assistant Chief Royall started his career with the Houston Fire Department in November 1973 and served in various roles as a Captain with the Houston Hazardous Materials Response Team. In May of 2004, he joined Harris County in the Harris County Public Health Department and ended his career with the Harris County Fire Marshal's Office leading the Emergency Operations Division; and

WHEREAS, Assistant Chief Royall's career has covered many areas of public safety, the fire service, and emergency management but his contributions in the field of hazardous materials response will be his lasting legacy. While serving as a principal member of NFPA 472, he ensured the standard of hazardous materials response, recovery, and mitigation were set forth to protect the public and the environment. While serving as the HazMat Committee Chair of the International Association of Fire Chiefs, he ensured that public safety around the world was protected and served; and

WHEREAS, Assistant Chief Royall's most valuable contributions have come from the strong relationships he built with partners and stakeholders at the local, regional, state, and federal level. He leveraged those relationships to service his community and Harris County through countless “once in a lifetime” incidents; and

WHEREAS, Assistant Chief Royall has earned a reputation for leadership, patience, dependability, and competence, with tireless attention to service; and

WHEREAS, after devoting a significant portion of his life and energy to Harris County, Assistant Chief Royall is now looking forward to new adventures, traveling, and spending even more time with his family, particularly his wife of 50 years Cheryl Royall; and

WHEREAS, the Harris County Fire Marshal's team and many employees across the County and Country will miss him both personally and professionally: now, therefore

BE IT RESOLVED that Harris County Commissioners Court hereby congratulates and commends

Assistant Chief Robert “Bob” Royall Jr.

for 18 years of service to Harris County and further offer best wishes for an enjoyable retirement

It is hereby *ORDERED* that this Resolution be spread upon the minutes of Commissioners Court this 2nd day of August 2022.

LINA HIDALGO, County Judge

RODNEY ELLIS, Commissioner
Precinct One

ADRIAN GARCIA, Commissioner
Precinct Two

TOM S. RAMSEY, P.E., Commissioner
Precinct Three

R. JACK CAGLE, Commissioner
Precinct Four

ATTEST:

Teneshia Hudspeth, County Clerk
Harris County, Texas