Resolution

WHEREAS, Dennis W. Potts, Deputy Director, will retire from Harris County Pretrial Services on September 30, 2022, after 32 years of service with Harris County and 41 years in the criminal justice field; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Potts' career in local law enforcement began in Louisiana in 1981 and he transitioned to community corrections work with the Louisiana Department of Public Safety and Corrections and the Texas Board of Pardons and Paroles before joining the Harris County Pretrial Services on September 8, 1990. Between September 1990 and July 1998, Mr. Potts served in various line and supervisory roles in the department's Court Information and Computer Applications Divisions; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Potts served as a Research Assistant in the Harris County Office of Court Management from July 1998 to February 1999, the Deputy Director of Harris County Pretrial Services from March 1999 until his retirement, and the Interim Director from October 2013 to February 2015 and from July 2015 to September 2016; and

WHEREAS, during his tenure with Harris County, Mr. Potts also contributed to the criminal justice field through university teaching, academic publication, service on the Board of the National Association of Pretrial Services Agencies, and committee service to the National Institute of Justice, primarily focused on offender tracking technology; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Potts' experience and contributions to Harris County will be missed by his many friends and colleagues; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Potts looks forward to spending time with his family, particularly his wife of 31 years, Claudia Alexander, before transitioning to the next stage of his career in 2023: now, therefore

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

Dennis W. Potts

for 32 years of dedicated service to Harris County and further extends best wishes for an enjoyable retirement.

It is hereby *ORDERED* that this Resolution be spread upon the minutes of Commissioners Court this 27th day of September 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