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H.C.R. No. 17

CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

1 WHEREAS, Kenneth B. Nolen is being inducted into the
2 Petroleum Hall of Fame on April 30, 2023; and

3 WHEREAS, Established in October 1967, the Petroleum Hall of
4 Fame recognizes individuals who have made outstanding
5 contributions to the development of the petroleum industry; and

6 WHEREAS, Kenneth Nolen graduated from Texas A&M University in
7 1957 with a degree in mechanical engineering; shortly thereafter,
8 he joined Shell Oil Company as a production engineer, and he worked
9 there for more than a decade; in 1970, he partnered with Sam G.
10 Gibbs to form Nabla Corp., and he helped grow the business to design
11 and diagnose hydraulic and submersible pump systems, as well as
12 build digital dynamometers, pump-off controls, and fluid level
13 instruments; Mr. Nolen again joined with Mr. Gibbs in 2014 to found
14 GreenShot LLC, which specialized in automated well fluid level
15 technology; in 2018, the company was sold to WellWorx Energy; and

16 WHEREAS, An expert in his field, Mr. Nolen has eight patents,
17 and he has written numerous textbooks and technical papers on
18 artificial lift; and

19 WHEREAS, Through his hard work and commitment to innovation,
20 Kenneth Nolen has distinguished himself as a successful and
21 influential figure in an industry that is such a vital part of the
22 Texas economy, and he is truly deserving of this prestigious honor;
23 now, therefore, be it

24 RESOLVED, That the 88th Legislature of the State of Texas

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1 hereby congratulate Kenneth B. Nolen on his induction into the
2 Petroleum Hall of Fame and extend to him sincere best wishes for the
3 future; and, be it further

4 RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be
5 prepared for Mr. Nolen as an expression of high regard by the Texas
6 House of Representatives and Senate.