

R E S O L U T I O N

1 WHEREAS, The General Motors Arlington Assembly Plant is
2 celebrating its 50th anniversary, and during its five decades
3 employees have produced some 7.5 million cars and trucks, including
4 220,000 in the last year alone; and

5 WHEREAS, Groundbreaking ceremonies for the plant took place
6 in 1952, and the following year workers completed the
7 1.2-million-square-foot production facility, the first
8 air-conditioned General Motors assembly plant; and

9 WHEREAS, Production began in 1954 under the watchful eye of
10 plant manager E. C. Klotzburger, and the first car produced was a
11 four-door Pontiac Chieftain; in that inaugural year, the plant's
12 1,851 hourly employees and 304 salaried employees assembled 15,437
13 Buicks, 12,705 Oldsmobiles, and 8,648 Pontiacs; and

14 WHEREAS, Through the years, General Motors has continued to
15 invest in the Arlington facility, updating equipment and expanding
16 the plant's square footage; the plant currently employs around
17 3,000 people with a payroll of over \$250 million; and

18 WHEREAS, The City of Arlington is proud to be home to this
19 venerable automotive production facility, and the members of the
20 Texas House of Representatives are equally proud to recognize the
21 men and women who have made it a success; now, therefore, be it

22 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 78th Texas
23 Legislature, 3rd Called Session, hereby recognize the 50th
24 anniversary of the General Motors Arlington Assembly Plant and

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1 extend best wishes to plant manager Mike Glinski and the many
2 individuals who have contributed to the success of this fine
3 facility; and, be it further

4 RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be
5 prepared for the employees of the General Motors Arlington Assembly
6 Plant as an expression of high regard by the Texas House of
7 Representatives.

Goodman

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Speaker of the House

I certify that H.R. No. 181 was adopted by the House on
October 8, 2003, by a non-record vote.

Chief Clerk of the House