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H.R. No. 288

R E S O L U T I O N

1           WHEREAS, The La Porte Bayshore Chamber of Commerce recently  
2 honored PPG Industries with its 2003 Salute to Industry award,  
3 recognizing the company for the role it has played in promoting  
4 economic prosperity, environmental vitality, and scholastic  
5 success within the community of La Porte; and

6           WHEREAS, Since its opening in 1954, the La Porte PPG plant has  
7 grown exponentially, evolving from a small operation with only 10  
8 employees to one of the world's leading producers of alkyl  
9 chloroformates, organic acid chlorides, pharmaceutical  
10 intermediates, and other specialty chemicals; the facility, which  
11 currently employs 200 Texans, manufactures more than 100 million  
12 pounds of chemicals each year for use in such products as  
13 herbicides, pharmaceuticals, and artificial sweeteners; and

14           WHEREAS, Dedicated to preserving La Porte's quality of life,  
15 PPG employees have given generously of their time and resources to  
16 ensure the success of community projects; the company is a proud  
17 member of the La Porte ISD Partners in Education program, and over  
18 the course of the past 15 years its staff have volunteered as  
19 mentors, tutors, readers, and Junior Achievement teachers; in  
20 addition, PPG Industries strongly supports safety and  
21 environmental initiatives and is a member of the American Chemistry  
22 Council's Responsible Care program; and

23           WHEREAS, Through its community outreach efforts, PPG  
24 Industries has helped to make the city of La Porte a better place in

1 which to live, work, and raise a family, and in doing so it has  
2 earned the lasting respect of employees and neighbors alike; now,  
3 therefore, be it

4         RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 78th Texas  
5 Legislature, 3rd Called Session, hereby congratulate the PPG  
6 Industries plant in La Porte on receiving the 2003 Salute to  
7 Industry award and extend best wishes to all those associated with  
8 the company for continued success in all their endeavors; and, be it  
9 further

10         RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be  
11 prepared for PPG Industries in La Porte as an expression of high  
12 regard by the Texas House of Representatives.