By: Bivins S.C.R. No. 2

## CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

1 WHEREAS, The Permian Basin Petroleum Association (PBPA) is 2 honoring John Younger of Midland with its Top Hand award, given for 3 outstanding achievement and for contributions to the industry and

4 the community; and

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WHEREAS, Mr. Younger graduated from McKinney High School in 1933 and went on to attend Texas A&M University, where he served as captain of the Corps of Cadets and editor of the yearbook during his senior year; and

WHEREAS, After receiving his bachelor's degree in chemical engineering, he began his professional career with Baroid Sales Division as a mud engineer; he later headed the first mud logging unit, which he brought to Midland in 1940; and

WHEREAS, When he received the call to defend his country in 1941, Mr. Younger was inducted into the United States Army, where he attained the rank of lieutenant colonel; upon his discharge, he moved to Eunice, New Mexico, and began working for the Western Company; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Younger became an independent oil operator in 1957 and seven years later founded the Airport 20 Corporation; today he remains active in real estate and business ventures; and

WHEREAS, This esteemed gentleman has long worked to promote the oil industry of West Texas; in 1961 he was one of 60 individuals who organized the Permian Basin Petroleum Association, and he later served on a committee that was instrumental in establishing the

- 1 Permian Basin Petroleum Museum; and
- 2 WHEREAS, He has also given generously of his time to his
- 3 community, serving on the boards of the Midland Independent School
- 4 District, High Sky Children's Ranch, Abell-Hanger Foundation, and
- 5 Midland Presbyterian Homes, as well as on the first board of the
- 6 Midland YMCA; in 1953, together with 24 other charter members, he
- 7 helped to establish Memorial Christian Church; and
- 8 WHEREAS, Mr. Younger has been aided in every endeavor by
- 9 Charlene Younger, his wife of 64 years; and
- 10 WHEREAS, A leader of tremendous dedication, energy, and
- 11 vision, John Younger has rendered immeasurable service to his
- 12 industry and his community, and it is a pleasure to join in
- 13 celebrating his newest honor; now, therefore, be it
- RESOLVED, That the 78th Legislature of the State of Texas
- 15 hereby congratulate John Younger on being named Top Hand by the
- 16 Permian Basin Petroleum Association; and, be it further
- 17 RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be
- 18 prepared for Mr. Younger as an expression of high regard by the
- 19 Texas House of Representatives and Senate.