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R E S O L U T I O N

1 WHEREAS, For more than half a century, General Motors has
2 played a significant role in the Texas economy, generating
3 thousands of jobs, and during that period, the industrious workers
4 of the Arlington Assembly Plant have contributed greatly to the
5 economic health and development of their community; and

6 WHEREAS, General Motors currently employs more than 5,500
7 Texans throughout the state, generating a payroll in excess of \$500
8 million a year; these hardworking men and women have produced 7.5
9 million GM vehicles, more than any other automobile manufacturer in
10 the state; and

11 WHEREAS, First opened in 1954, the 250-acre GM Arlington
12 Assembly Plant was originally designed to assemble aircraft and
13 automobiles; over the years, the facility has produced a number of
14 popular GM models, and it currently manufactures the Cadillac
15 Escalade; and

16 WHEREAS, The factory has also been an important part of the
17 community in Arlington, employing many area Texans and providing
18 valuable property tax revenue; moreover, its employees have
19 generously supported such local charities as the United Way and
20 Toys for Kids; and

21 WHEREAS, The Arlington Assembly Plant is notable as well for
22 its environmental stewardship; in 2000, the plant was part of the
23 State of Texas Clean Industries program, and it has received
24 several consecutive annual awards for pretreatment excellence for

1 water discharged to the city of Arlington; in 2003, the plant earned
2 the Certificate of Achievement from the Green Lights Partnership of
3 the Environmental Protection Agency, and it received EPA Energy
4 Star awards for energy conservation in 2003 and 2004; and

5 WHEREAS, General Motors and the Arlington Assembly Plant have
6 long been, and continue to be, valuable members of the Texas
7 business community, and it is a pleasure to recognize the company's
8 commitment to the Lone Star State and to pay tribute as well to the
9 plant's dedicated employees; now, therefore, be it

10 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 81st Texas
11 Legislature hereby honor the contributions of General Motors and
12 the Arlington Assembly Plant to the State of Texas and extend to the
13 company's management and employees sincere best wishes for the
14 future; and, be it further

15 RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be
16 prepared for the plant as an expression of high regard by the Texas
17 House of Representatives.