

R E S O L U T I O N

1           WHEREAS, The Beal family of Midland has been honored with a  
2 2009 Hearst Energy Award for lifetime achievement by the *Midland*  
3 *Reporter-Telegram* and its parent company, the Hearst Corporation;  
4 and

5           WHEREAS, In 1949, petroleum engineer Carlton Beal, Sr.,  
6 drilled his first oil well in West Texas; the son of a California  
7 geologist and oilman, Mr. Beal was a Stanford graduate and had  
8 earned his master's degree in petroleum engineering at the  
9 Massachusetts Institute of Technology before going on to serve in  
10 the Petroleum Administration for War and teach at the University of  
11 Southern California during World War II; he moved his family to  
12 Midland in 1953, and the next year formed Beal, Trobaugh and  
13 Associates with a former student; and

14           WHEREAS, BTA became one of the most successful independent  
15 oil companies in the Permian Basin, and Beal family members took on  
16 leadership roles in the community; in 1959, Mr. Beal and his wife,  
17 Keleen, created the Beal Foundation that has generously supported  
18 educational, religious, and charitable causes; Mrs. Beal served as  
19 chair of the foundation, and the family and the foundation were  
20 honored by the establishment of Beal Plaza at Midland College in  
21 1978; 20 years later, the foundation received the fifth annual  
22 Permian Basin National Philanthropy Day Outstanding Foundation  
23 Award; and

24           WHEREAS, The couple and their foundation made numerous

1 significant donations to Midland College, and this tradition has  
2 been followed by their son, Spencer, who joined the Midland College  
3 Foundation Board in 1984 and served as its president from 1992 to  
4 1996; for his contributions to the school and the community, he was  
5 recognized in 2005 with the Outstanding Volunteer Award on the 12th  
6 annual Permian Basin National Philanthropy Day; and

7       WHEREAS, Today, numerous members of the Beal family uphold  
8 the legacy of civic commitment established by Mr. Beal, who died in  
9 1994, and Mrs. Beal, who passed away in 2006; the company, now known  
10 as BTA Oil Producers, continues to be a family enterprise, and the  
11 partners include Mr. and Mrs. Beal's four sons, Carlton "Carty"  
12 Beal, Jr., Barry Beal, Sr., and Spencer and Kelly Beal, as well as  
13 two of Barry Beal's sons, Stuart Beal and Barry "BJ" Beal, Jr., and  
14 Barry Beal's son-in-law, Bob Davenport; BJ Beal also serves as  
15 general manager; and

16       WHEREAS, Other members of this prominent and civic-minded  
17 family are Linda Kay Nanny Beal, wife of Carty Beal, and their  
18 children, Carl Beal III, Cristina Beal Johnstone, and Lauren Beal  
19 Sherry, Nancy Carruth Beal, wife of Barry Beal, and their other  
20 children, Elizabeth Beal Davenport and Stephen Beal, Karlene Beal  
21 Garber and her husband, Richard, and their children, Michele  
22 Garber, Chris Hinojosa, Laurie Garber Fulton, and Scott Beal, Karen  
23 Roberts Beal, wife of Spencer Beal, and their children, Spencer  
24 Beal, Jr., Kimberly Beal, and Rebecca Beal McClure, and Chrys  
25 Detmering Beal, wife of Kelly Beal, and their children, Robin Beal  
26 Bumstead, Leigh Beal Sheppard, and KC Beal; and

27       WHEREAS, For more than half a century, BTA Oil Producers has

1 played a vital role in the prosperity of Midland and the Permian  
2 Basin and members of the Beal family have worked with admirable  
3 diligence to make a positive difference in their community; now,  
4 therefore, be it

5         RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 81st Texas  
6 Legislature hereby congratulate the Beal family on receiving the  
7 2009 Hearst Energy Award for lifetime achievement and extend to the  
8 family members best wishes for continued success in their  
9 worthwhile endeavors; and, be it further

10         RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be  
11 prepared for the Beal family as an expression of high regard by the  
12 Texas House of Representatives.

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H.R. No. 1771

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Speaker of the House

I certify that H.R. No. 1771 was adopted by the House on May 11, 2009, by a non-record vote.

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Chief Clerk of the House