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H.R. No. 420

R E S O L U T I O N

1 WHEREAS, Manufacturers in Texas play an integral role in the
2 state's economy and development, and their important contributions
3 merit special recognition; and

4 WHEREAS, Texas manufacturing contributes \$192 billion to the
5 state's economy, totaling 13 percent of the gross state product;
6 because of this outstanding level of production, items made in
7 Texas represent 9 percent of the manufactured goods in the United
8 States, and Texas is the nation's leading exporter of these
9 products; and

10 WHEREAS, Approximately 852,000 Texans work in the sector, and
11 these positions spur subsequent growth, with every new
12 manufacturing job leading to the creation of between 2 to 16
13 additional openings; moreover, manufacturing is responsible for
14 more than half of all private sector research and development
15 spending; and

16 WHEREAS, The wide variety of products manufactured in Texas
17 includes chemicals, computers, electronics, machinery, petroleum
18 and coal goods, food items, aerospace products, motor vehicles,
19 plastics, and rubber; this broad diversity is key to maintaining a
20 competitive advantage in an increasingly global economy; and

21 WHEREAS, Across the state, the industry is represented by
22 such central professional associations as the Texas Association of
23 Manufacturers and the Texas Manufacturing Assistance Center, as
24 well as myriad regional associations including San Antonio, North

1 Texas, Dallas County, South Texas, Harlingen, San Marcos, New
2 Braunfels, Washington County, Greater Houston, and Austin
3 Regional; and

4 WHEREAS, Manufacturers drive innovation, create well-paid
5 job opportunities for many Texans, and contribute to the future
6 economic health of the Lone Star State; now, therefore, be it

7 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 83rd Texas
8 Legislature hereby recognize February 20, 2013, as Texas
9 Manufacturers' Day and extend to all those associated with these
10 vital businesses sincere best wishes for continued success.