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H.R. No. 1089

R E S O L U T I O N

1 WHEREAS, For nearly 25 years, Tom Curlee of Portland, Texas,
2 has provided guidance and support to the Port Industries of Corpus
3 Christi, and this commitment is indeed worthy of special
4 recognition; and

5 WHEREAS, A native of Edna, Mr. Curlee was the first member of
6 his family to attend college, receiving a music and later a tennis
7 scholarship to attend Victoria College, then transferring to Texas
8 A&I University in Kingsville, where he earned his bachelor of
9 science degree in engineering; he began his career with the Allis
10 Chalmers Manufacturing Company in Milwaukee, Wisconsin, eventually
11 transferring to Beaumont; and

12 WHEREAS, Mr. Curlee started his 30-year tenure with the
13 energy firm CPL in 1964, and over the years, he held many positions
14 in the company, including district marketing manager of the Rice
15 Belt district, assistant vice president of engineering, and
16 executive director of the Rates and Regulatory Affairs Department;
17 in 1988, he joined the Board of Trade, Port of Corpus Christi, which
18 later became the Port Industries of Corpus Christi; although he
19 retired from CPL in 1994, he has continued his service with the PICC
20 as a consultant through 2013; and

21 WHEREAS, This dynamic Texan is highly involved in the
22 community where he and his wife of 54 years, Nancy, have lived for
23 nearly four decades; the couple are active members of the First
24 Baptist Church, where Mr. Curlee is a deacon; he has served as

1 president of the Jaycees in Victoria, the Kiwanis Clubs in Bay City
2 and Portland, and the North Shore Country Club Board of Directors
3 and as vice president of the Paisano Chapter of the Girl Scouts of
4 America; moreover, he helped charter the San Patricio County
5 Economic Development Corporation, serving two years as its
6 president, and he is currently vice president of the Portland
7 Community Complex Corporation; he additionally shares his time and
8 talents as a member of the boards of the San Patricio Rural Rail
9 District, Bay Area Citizens Against Lawsuit Abuse, Coastal Bend
10 Bays and Estuaries Program, AEP Retirees, and ACIT; and

11 WHEREAS, Port Industries of Corpus Christi has gained
12 immeasurably from Mr. Curlee's dedication and vision over the last
13 quarter-century, and it is a pleasure to acknowledge his ongoing
14 contributions to the Corpus Christi area; now, therefore, be it

15 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 83rd Texas
16 Legislature hereby honor Tom Curlee on his years of service to the
17 Port Industries of Corpus Christi and extend to him sincere best
18 wishes for continued success and happiness; and, be it further

19 RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be
20 prepared for Mr. Curlee as an expression of high regard by the Texas
21 House of Representatives.