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R E S O L U T I O N

1   WHEREAS, The grand opening of the Del Mar College Hangar at
2 the Corpus Christi International Airport was celebrated on February
3 28, 2013; and

4   WHEREAS, Formerly called Crescent Hangar, the facility was
5 renovated to enhance instruction and expand enrollment in the
6 college's aviation maintenance technology program; the repurposing
7 was funded by more than $1 million from city sales tax revenue
8 earmarked for job training and growth, along with $2 million from
9 the college; and

10   WHEREAS, Del Mar College Hangar has more than 14,000 square
11 feet for aircraft storage and nearly 2,500 square feet of classroom
12 and office space, including a satellite office for the college's
13 Small Business Development Center; with room for a dozen aircraft,
14 it currently houses five, among them two T-34C Turbomentors donated
15 by the United States Navy's Chief of Naval Air Training; and

16   WHEREAS, In this new facility, students will interact with
17 airport staff as part of their training; some will team with air
18 traffic control tower staff, while others will engage with the
19 airport's fire department; the AMT program offers certification and
20 associate degrees in both airframe and power plant applied
21 technology; and

22   WHEREAS, The renovation of Del Mar College Hangar will help
23 more young Texans acquire the knowledge and skills necessary to
24 build a career in a growing field, and its operation represents an

1 exciting new chapter for the school's aviation maintenance
2 technology program; now, therefore, be it

3   RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 83rd Texas
4 Legislature hereby commemorate the opening of Del Mar College
5 Hangar and commend all those involved in the effort to bring this
6 important project to fruition; and, be it further

7   RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be
8 prepared for Del Mar College as an expression of high regard by the
9 Texas House of Representatives.