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## RESOLUTION

- 1 WHEREAS, The CITGO Corpus Christi Refinery is celebrating its
- 2 80th anniversary on April 15, 2015; and
- 3 WHEREAS, Since its opening in 1935, the refinery has played a
- 4 vital role in its community, where today it employs more than a
- 5 thousand people and generates an annual average of \$345 million in
- 6 economic activity; and
- 7 WHEREAS, CITGO has further benefited the city through its
- 8 dedication to corporate philanthropy; over the past decade, the
- 9 refinery and its employees have contributed more than \$5.8 million
- 10 in behalf of 37 local charities through donations to the United Way
- 11 of the Coastal Bend, and in 2014, employees volunteered over 4,000
- 12 hours with community organizations; moreover, in 2012, CITGO
- 13 launched the Hands for Hillcrest Grant Program, which supports
- 14 initiatives that foster education, job skills, health care, and the
- 15 environment in the Hillcrest community; and
- 16 WHEREAS, Strongly committed to promoting educational
- 17 opportunity in the region, the refinery has awarded more than 170
- 18 scholarships to area students through the Corpus Christi
- 19 Caller-Times/CITGO South Texas Distinguished Scholars program, and
- 20 it has collaborated in establishing the First in Family program,
- 21 which presents scholarships to local students who are the first in
- 22 their family to graduate from high school; in addition, the
- 23 refinery partners with the Foy H. Moody High School Innovation
- 24 Academy to encourage students to pursue careers in the fields of

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- 1 science, technology, engineering, and math; and
- WHEREAS, Throughout the past eight decades, the CITGO Corpus
- 3 Christi Refinery has made a substantial contribution to the Texas
- 4 economy while giving back to its community in myriad ways, and this
- 5 occasion presents a welcome opportunity to recognize the role it
- 6 plays in advancing the prosperity of Corpus Christi and the Lone
- 7 Star State; now, therefore, be it
- 8 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 84th Texas
- 9 Legislature hereby commemorate the 80th anniversary of the CITGO
- 10 Corpus Christi Refinery and extend to all those associated with the
- 11 refinery sincere best wishes for the future; and, be it further
- 12 RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be
- 13 prepared for the CITGO Corpus Christi Refinery as an expression of
- 14 high regard by the Texas House of Representatives.

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Speaker of the House

I certify that H.R. No. 1188 was adopted by the House on March 26, 2015, by a non-record vote.

Chief Clerk of the House