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RESOLUTION

- 1 WHEREAS, Those Texans who demonstrate great courage in times
- 2 of crisis are truly deserving of our admiration and gratitude, and
- 3 through his selfless actions during the Texas Panhandle wildfire
- 4 outbreak of 2017, Frank Moya of Shamrock has distinguished himself
- 5 as one such hero; and
- 6 WHEREAS, A county employee who operates a road grader in
- 7 Precinct 4, Frank Moya is the father of James Moya, a member of the
- 8 Shamrock Volunteer Fire Department; on March 23, 2017, the elder
- 9 Mr. Moya and his fellow county workers received a call from the fire
- 10 department for assistance in creating barriers to contain a
- 11 wildfire that had broken out west of Shamrock; and
- WHEREAS, Mr. Moya's son, James, was operating his own road
- 13 grader at the scene of the fire; while the younger Mr. Moya was
- 14 working to create a firebreak, the wind shifted and his grader
- 15 stalled, stranding him in the path of the flames; and
- WHEREAS, Hearing his son's pleas for help on the radio, Frank
- 17 Moya was consumed with a single imperative, that of getting him out
- 18 alive; while other firefighters searched frantically for the young
- 19 man, Mr. Moya was able to find his son and move him to safety; James
- 20 Moya had sustained severe burns and subsequently spent 60 days in
- 21 the Lubbock Burn Unit, during which time his father never left his
- 22 side; and
- 23 WHEREAS, In a situation fraught with peril, this devoted
- 24 father proved himself a man of outstanding bravery and tenacity,

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- 1 and his actions in saving the life of his son have earned him the
- 2 heartfelt gratitude of his entire community; now, therefore, be it
- 3 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 85th Texas
- 4 Legislature, 1st Called Session, hereby commend Frank Moya for
- 5 rescuing James Moya from a wildfire and extend to him sincere best
- 6 wishes for the future; and, be it further
- 7 RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be
- 8 prepared for the Moya family as an expression of high regard by the
- 9 Texas House of Representatives.

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Speaker of the House

I certify that H.R. No. 146 was adopted by the House on August 15, 2017, by a non-record vote.

Chief Clerk of the House