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RESOLUTION

1 WHEREAS, For more than 80 years, the CITGO Petroleum 2 Corporation has bolstered the prosperity and well-being of the Lone 3 Star State by employing thousands of Texans and supporting 4 initiatives of lasting benefit to the community; and

5 WHEREAS, Headquartered in Houston, CITGO Texas Operations 6 boasts an 890-acre facility in Corpus Christi that refines 157,000 7 barrels of petroleum per day, provides over 1,050 Texans with 8 high-paying jobs, and generates an average of \$345 million a year in 9 economic activity; and

WHEREAS, CITGO's community outreach efforts include STEM 10 11 education mentoring programs such as the award-winning CITGO 12 Innovation Academy at Foy H. Moody High School in Corpus Christi, as well as an endowment fund that offers scholarships and financial 13 established 14 support to students; the company also coastal conservation and restoration initiatives in response to the 15 16 environmental damage caused by Hurricanes Katrina and Rita, and it provides heating oil to families in need across 25 states; and 17

WHEREAS, The company's health and wellness efforts include transforming a former hotel in Corpus Christi into Charlie's Place, a leading drug rehabilitation facility; it has provided generous support to the Special Olympics for more than 15 years, and in the past three decades, it has helped raise more than \$200 million for the Muscular Dystrophy Association; and

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WHEREAS, Of all the factors that have furthered the success

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1 of CITGO Texas Operations, none have been more critical than the 2 company's dedicated employees across the state and its community 3 partners, all of whom have helped make Texas a great place to do 4 business; and

5 WHEREAS, Throughout its notable history, CITGO Texas 6 Operations has made a substantial contribution to the Texas economy 7 while giving back to the community in myriad ways; now, therefore, 8 be it

9 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 85th Texas 10 Legislature hereby commend CITGO Texas Operations for more than 80 11 years of outstanding performance and community involvement and 12 extend to all those associated with the enterprise sincere best 13 wishes for continued success; and, be it further

RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be prepared for CITGO Texas Operations as an expression of high regard by the Texas House of Representatives.

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Speaker of the House

I certify that H.R. No. 554 was adopted by the House on March 2, 2017, by a non-record vote.

Chief Clerk of the House