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## RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, The year 2016 marked the 65th anniversary of the
founding of López Handy Stop in Robstown; and

3 WHEREAS, This convenience store was established in June 1951 4 by Manuel B. López, and in the ensuing years, nine additional 5 locations were opened in Robstown, Three Rivers, and San Diego, 6 Texas; dedicated to keeping the company a family business, 7 Mr. López eventually entrusted the stores to his children; and

WHEREAS, In 2013, the founder's grandson Hector M. López Jr. 8 relocated from San Antonio after a career as a mortician to become 9 the store's third-generation owner; the younger Mr. López spent 10 11 much of his adolescence working at the stores, where he learned 12 every aspect of the business, from stocking and inventory to bookkeeping and payroll; today, he proudly continues his family's 13 14 legacy in the Robstown community, and López Handy Stop employs a staff of eight; and 15

16 WHEREAS, Locally owned and operated businesses play a vital 17 role in the prosperity of the Lone Star State, and those enterprises 18 that build a record of dependability and longevity enjoy a special 19 degree of esteem in their communities; now, therefore, be it

20 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 85th Texas 21 Legislature hereby commemorate the 65th anniversary of López Handy 22 Stop and extend to Hector López and his staff sincere best wishes 23 for continued success; and, be it further

24 RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be

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prepared for Mr. López as an expression of high regard by the Texas
House of Representatives.

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