By: Craddick H.R. No. 1135

RESOLUTION

1 WHEREAS, Members of the Permian Basin Petroleum Association

are gathering in Austin on March 28, 2017, in connection with their

3 legislative day; and

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WHEREAS, In 1961, the association was formed by a group of

5 oilmen in West Texas and eastern New Mexico out of concerns over

6 increasing federal regulation of their industry; the organization

7 has since grown to become the nation's largest regional oil and gas

8 association, representing nearly 1,000 members across the country;

9 headquartered in Midland, it maintains offices in Austin and in

10 Santa Fe, New Mexico, as well; and

11 WHEREAS, The PBPA strives to ensure the safe and responsible

development of oil and gas resources; to that end, it educates

Permian Basin operators about best practices and encourages the

14 adoption of these measures; it advances careful stewardship of the

15 region's resources by promoting conservation efforts and

16 supporting programs that help operators be good neighbors in the

17 communities where they work; moreover, in recent years, the PBPA

18 entered into an innovative Dark Skies partnership with The

19 University of Texas McDonald Observatory to address light

20 pollution; and

21 WHEREAS, Since its inception, the PBPA has served as a voice

22 for the hardworking men and women in the oil and gas business;

23 today, it advocates not only for that industry but also for the

24 principles of states' rights, and it has scored a number of

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- 1 victories against federal overreach and overregulation; and
- 2 WHEREAS, The Permian Basin Petroleum Association has greatly
- 3 benefited the industry and its members for more than a half century,
- 4 and its contributions are indeed worthy of special recognition;
- 5 now, therefore, be it
- 6 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 85th Texas
- 7 Legislature hereby recognize March 28, 2017, as Permian Basin
- 8 Petroleum Association Day at the State Capitol and extend to the
- 9 members of the organization sincere best wishes for an enjoyable
- 10 and productive event; and, be it further
- 11 RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be
- 12 prepared for PBPA as an expression of high regard by the Texas House
- 13 of Representatives.