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R E S O L U T I O N

1           WHEREAS, Members of several area fire departments responded  
2 swiftly and courageously to a structure fire that broke out in the  
3 city of Balch Springs on February 24, 2017; and

4           WHEREAS, During the early evening, the Balch Springs Fire  
5 Department was called to put out a fire that had enveloped a pallet  
6 factory and spread to two other businesses; Balch Springs  
7 firefighters then requested the aid of the Dallas, Dallas County,  
8 Mesquite, Combine, Seagoville, and Sunnyvale Fire Departments,  
9 which converged on the scene to help battle the massive blaze; and

10           WHEREAS, Thanks to the tremendous support provided by these  
11 crews, the fire was successfully extinguished in a few hours with no  
12 loss of life and only minor injuries to two firefighters; the Balch  
13 Springs Fire Department also received help from the Texas State  
14 Fire Marshal's Office in investigating the cause of the fire; and

15           WHEREAS, In answering an urgent call for assistance, these  
16 exemplary first responders demonstrated their unwavering  
17 commitment to protecting the lives and property of their fellow  
18 Texans, and they may indeed take pride in a job well done; now,  
19 therefore, be it

20           RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 85th Texas  
21 Legislature hereby commend the personnel of the Balch Springs,  
22 Dallas, Dallas County, Mesquite, Combine, Seagoville, and  
23 Sunnyvale Fire Departments and the Texas State Fire Marshal's  
24 Office for their roles in controlling a structure fire in Balch

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1 Springs on February 24, 2017, and investigating its cause and  
2 extend to them sincere best wishes for the future.