

By: King of Parker

H.R. No. 703

R E S O L U T I O N

1 WHEREAS, Charles W. Gilchrist of Weatherford was elected the  
2 2019 chairman of the board of the National Automobile Dealers  
3 Association on October 16, 2018, and this achievement truly merits  
4 special recognition; and

5 WHEREAS, Established in 1917, NADA is the voice of 16,500  
6 automobile and truck dealerships, representing their interests  
7 with automotive manufacturers as well as before Congress, federal  
8 agencies, the media, and the general public; the association also  
9 conducts research on the retail automobile industry, provides  
10 guidance on regulatory matters, offers training programs, and  
11 operates a charitable foundation; and

12 WHEREAS, Charlie Gilchrist is president of Gilchrist  
13 Automotive, which began with a single location in 1986 and today  
14 includes dealerships across the Dallas/Fort Worth area; he  
15 represents the franchised new-car dealers of Northern Texas on the  
16 NADA board of directors, and he has further contributed his time and  
17 expertise as the board's 2018 vice chair; and

18 WHEREAS, A graduate of The University of Texas with a  
19 bachelor's degree in accounting, Mr. Gilchrist has served on the  
20 boards of the Texas Automobile Dealers Association, Texas Bank, the  
21 Weatherford College Foundation, the East Parker County Chamber of  
22 Commerce, the Weatherford High School Foundation, and the  
23 Weatherford Chamber of Commerce, which named him James Doss Citizen  
24 of the Year in 2005; he is also an eight-time recipient of the

1 President's Award from the Ford Motor Company; and

2 WHEREAS, Charlie Gilchrist's leadership and business acumen  
3 have earned him the respect and admiration of his professional  
4 peers, and he may indeed reflect with pride on all that he has  
5 accomplished as he takes on the challenges and opportunities of his  
6 new position; now, therefore, be it

7 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 86th Texas  
8 Legislature hereby congratulate Charles W. Gilchrist on his  
9 election as the 2019 chairman of the board of the National  
10 Automobile Dealers Association and extend to him sincere best  
11 wishes for continued success; and, be it further

12 RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be  
13 prepared for Mr. Gilchrist as an expression of high regard by the  
14 Texas House of Representatives.