

R E S O L U T I O N

1           WHEREAS, Steve Marshall, an employee of Xcel Energy, was part  
2 of a volunteer team of Xcel utility workers who traveled to Puerto  
3 Rico to help restore power in the wake of Hurricane Maria; and

4           WHEREAS, The Category 4 hurricane, which arrived on September  
5 20, 2017, bringing devastating winds and flooding, was the  
6 strongest storm to make landfall in Puerto Rico in 85 years; Maria  
7 wiped out the island's power grid, leaving some 3.4 million people  
8 without electricity and placing an enormous strain on the island's  
9 recovery and on victims' efforts to rebuild their lives in its  
10 aftermath; and

11           WHEREAS, Mr. Marshall and his colleagues volunteered to be  
12 part of a national emergency response that came to include more than  
13 20 electrical companies and 1,500 utility workers, who were given  
14 the arduous task of reconnecting power service in the many  
15 communities that remained in the dark months after the storm;  
16 deployed primarily to Caguas, a mountainous and remote region in  
17 the southeast area of the island, the employees from Xcel worked for  
18 long hours in challenging conditions, and their hard work and  
19 determination resulted in thousands of residents regaining access  
20 to power; and

21           WHEREAS, Steve Marshall demonstrated skill, dedication, and  
22 compassion by stepping forward to offer much-needed help in the  
23 midst of a crisis, and he may indeed take pride in having provided  
24 vital assistance to his fellow citizens; now, therefore, be it

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1           RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 86th Texas  
2 Legislature hereby commend Steve Marshall for his efforts to  
3 restore power in Puerto Rico and extend to him sincere best wishes  
4 for the future; and, be it further

5           RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be  
6 prepared for Mr. Marshall as an expression of high regard by the  
7 Texas House of Representatives.

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Speaker of the House

I certify that H.R. No. 1091 was adopted by the House on April 12, 2019, by a non-record vote.

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Chief Clerk of the House