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H.C.R. No. 22

CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

1 WHEREAS, The goal of reducing greenhouse emissions in Texas
2 while expanding and diversifying the economy is supported by the
3 Lone Star State's longstanding tradition of stewardship,
4 technological innovation, and collaborative problem-solving; and

5 WHEREAS, The climate is changing, and extreme weather events,
6 rising average temperatures, wildfires, water scarcity, and
7 flooding are becoming common; and

8 WHEREAS, Texas leaders have outlined how this change is
9 causing problems for the health, personal property rights, economic
10 prosperity, and labor productivity of Texans while also increasing
11 state and national security risks; and

12 WHEREAS, The best available science indicates the importance
13 of a rapid transition to net zero annual greenhouse gas emissions in
14 the coming decades, and Texas ingenuity can provide the needed
15 leadership in that transition; and

16 WHEREAS, Texas already leads the nation in wind energy
17 production, an industry that has brought thousands of jobs and
18 billions of dollars to the state; and

19 WHEREAS, Any efforts to mitigate the risks of, prepare for,
20 or otherwise address a changing climate and its adverse effects
21 should strengthen the Texas economy and its global competitiveness;
22 now, therefore, be it

23 RESOLVED, That the 87th Legislature of the State of Texas
24 hereby encourage individuals, corporations, and state agencies to

1 support the growth in technologies and services that will reduce
2 greenhouse gas emissions while enlarging and diversifying the Texas
3 economy in a way that is both energy efficient and cost-effective;
4 and, be it further

5 RESOLVED, That the 87th Texas Legislature encourage the
6 creation and support of economically viable private and public
7 solutions to the problems caused by a changing climate; and, be it
8 further

9 RESOLVED, That the 87th Texas Legislature recognize the need
10 to prioritize the use of sound science to address the causes of a
11 changing climate and to support innovation and environmental
12 stewardship in order to realize positive solutions; and, be it
13 further

14 RESOLVED, That the Texas secretary of state forward official
15 copies of this resolution to all the members of the Texas delegation
16 to Congress as an expression of support from the 87th Texas
17 Legislature for reducing greenhouse gas emissions in Texas while
18 expanding and diversifying the economy.