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H.R. No. 78

R E S O L U T I O N

1 WHEREAS, Andrew Molly is concluding his service as chief
2 operating officer of Corpus Christi Water on September 3, 2025; and

3 WHEREAS, Drew Molly first joined the City of Corpus Christi
4 as its director of water systems and support services in September
5 2022, and after a stint as interim COO, he was officially appointed
6 to the role in January 2024; he has held the position during a time
7 when the city has grappled with major water issues, which have
8 required it to enforce the strictest water conservation measures it
9 has seen in decades; and

10 WHEREAS, Throughout his tenure, he has helped lead the
11 department with a focus on transparency, overseeing the launch of
12 an online platform for viewing water usage data as well as the
13 implementation of a new cost-of-service model designed to make
14 water rates more equitable; with a forward-looking approach to
15 managing water resources in Corpus Christi, he adopted a long-term
16 strategy centered on securing new groundwater supplies, expanding
17 the use of reclaimed water, and exploring innovative solutions for
18 ensuring the availability of water in the future; along the way, he
19 has worked to strengthen regional collaboration, and he has engaged
20 with Governor Greg Abbott and the Texas House Committee on Natural
21 Resources to bring in support for resolving the city's water
22 challenges; and

23 WHEREAS, A licensed professional engineer and a veteran in
24 the field of water management, Mr. Molly is a past chair of the

1 Texas Section of the American Water Works Association, where he has
2 been active for more than two decades; he holds a bachelor's degree
3 in civil engineering from Texas A&M University and licenses in
4 water and wastewater system operations, and he has acquired over 16
5 years of experience in municipal government; before arriving in
6 Corpus Christi, he worked for the City of Houston as director of
7 drinking water operations and as assistant director for water
8 operations; while in Houston, he supervised a workforce of more
9 than 600 employees and administered a \$180 million maintenance
10 budget along with a \$200 million capital improvement program; and

11 WHEREAS, Andrew Molly has provided expert guidance and steady
12 leadership during an arduous time for Corpus Christi Water, and he
13 may indeed reflect with pride on all that he has accomplished as he
14 prepares to embark on the next exciting chapter of his career; now,
15 therefore, be it

16 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 89th Texas
17 Legislature, 2nd Called Session, hereby congratulate Andrew Molly
18 on his retirement as chief operating officer of Corpus Christi
19 Water and commend him for leading the charge in the search for
20 drought-resistant water solutions for vital sectors of the city's
21 economy; and, be it further

22 RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be
23 prepared for Mr. Molly as an expression of high regard by the Texas
24 House of Representatives.