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H.C.R. No. 126

CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

1 WHEREAS, The city of Corrigan in Polk County has long played
2 an important role in the state's timber industry; and

3 WHEREAS, Situated amidst the rich pine forests of East Texas,
4 Corrigan experienced a significant boom in timber production
5 following the completion of the Houston, East and West Texas
6 Railway in 1881, and the Trinity and Sabine Railway in 1882; at that
7 time, 17 sawmills operated in the area, and timber became a mainstay
8 of the local economy; additional mills and plants were constructed
9 over the course of the 20th century, including facilities focused
10 on particle board and other products; and

11 WHEREAS, Today, Corrigan hosts four major timber production
12 plants as well as several smaller timber businesses; the main items
13 produced in the area include plywood, oriented strand board, and
14 lumber, which are used worldwide; in addition, the city's timber
15 products support a variety of other industries, from construction
16 to paper manufacturing, thereby making a positive impact across
17 Texas; and

18 WHEREAS, Corrigan's timber businesses have demonstrated a
19 steadfast commitment to responsible forestry practices; the
20 implementation of eco-friendly procedures helps ensure the
21 protection and preservation of renewable timber resources and
22 promotes carbon sequestration and biodiversity conservation; and

23 WHEREAS, The Corrigan-Camden Independent School District
24 offers career and technical education opportunities, such as the

1 Woodworks Program, to connect students with jobs in the timber
2 industry; the district also partners with prominent manufacturers
3 RoyOMartin and Georgia-Pacific to provide mentoring programs,
4 student incentives, and supplies for student construction
5 projects; and

6 WHEREAS, Timber production has been integral to the heritage
7 and prosperity of Corrigan, and it is indeed fitting that the city
8 be recognized for its many contributions to this important sector
9 of the Texas economy; now, therefore, be it

10 RESOLVED, That the 89th Legislature of the State of Texas
11 hereby designate Corrigan as the official Timber Products Capital
12 of Texas; and, be it further

13 RESOLVED, That, in accordance with the provisions of Section
14 [391.003\(e\)](#), Government Code, this designation remain in effect
15 until the 10th anniversary of the date this resolution is finally
16 passed by the legislature.