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H.C.R. No. 152

CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

1 WHEREAS, Punkin Center Gin in Lamesa celebrated its 100th
2 anniversary in 2024, and this occasion offers a welcome opportunity
3 to recognize the history and accomplishments of this venerable
4 local enterprise; and

5 WHEREAS, Established on June 11, 1924, Punkin Center Gin is
6 considered to be the oldest gin in West Texas and the second oldest
7 in the state that is still in operation; and

8 WHEREAS, In 1999, Punkin Center Gin was purchased by Al
9 Crisp, who has an extensive background as a cotton ginner; it is a
10 family-owned and operated business, with the office and financial
11 records being managed by his wife, Kasha; in recent years, the gin
12 has been updated with numerous automations to become more
13 efficient, playing a role in the company's success; and

14 WHEREAS, For more than a century, Punkin Center Gin has
15 contributed to the economic prosperity of Dawson County, and it is
16 fitting that the anniversary of its founding be recognized; now,
17 therefore, be it

18 RESOLVED, That the 89th Legislature of the State of Texas
19 hereby commemorate the 100th anniversary of Punkin Center Gin and
20 extend to Al and Kasha Crisp and their employees sincere best wishes
21 for the future; and, be it further

22 RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be
23 prepared for Punkin Center Gin as an expression of high regard by
24 the Texas Legislature.