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HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 25

BY REPRESENTATIVE ORGERON

COMMENDATIONS: Commends Breaux Petroleum Products on the occasion of its one hundredth anniversary

A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

2 To commend Breaux Petroleum Products on the occasion of its one hundredth anniversary. 3 WHEREAS, in 1922, A.P. Breaux established what would become Breaux Petroleum 4 in Lockport, Louisiana; the company, which was named A.P. Breaux & Sons at that time, 5 transported crude oil throughout the Bayou Region to support the local farmers and the 6 state's increasingly booming oil industry; and 7 WHEREAS, in the earliest days of the company, A.P. Breaux personally hauled 8 crude oil from the Leeville oil and gas field and transported fuel from New Orleans Refining 9 Company, or NORCO; and 10 WHEREAS, in 1927, A.P. Breaux & Sons secured the state's first-ever distributor 11 contract with Shell Oil Company to distribute petroleum products throughout the Bayou 12 Region; since this landmark moment, the company has achieved the distinction of being 13 named among Shell's Prestige Distributors, an exclusive list of companies that are 14 recognized as top providers amongst a nationwide network of distributors; and 15 WHEREAS, in the mid-1930s, A.P. Breaux & Sons entered the retail fuel sector with 16 a full-service gas station, Leon's Service Station, in Lockport, which quickly became a go-to 17 for local residents; decades later, in the 1970s, the company reinvested in its retail operations 18 and would eventually own and operate five convenience stores from Boutte to Golden 19 Meadow; and

WHEREAS, in 1986, the company, known then as Breaux Oil Company, merged
with another Breaux family-owned business, Lockport Oil and Tire Company, to form the
present-day Breaux Petroleum; and
WHEREAS, in January 2017, Breaux Petroleum expanded its operations further by
adding a second facility in Lake Charles; they also achieved an enhanced presence in the
marine and offshore sectors of the oil business by serving companies throughout the Gulf
of Mexico; and
WHEREAS, in August 2019, Breaux Petroleum broke ground in Lockport on a
marine distribution facility with five hundred thousand gallons of storage space and the
capacity to house up to twenty-five bulk tanks; it also features a twelve thousand-square-foot
warehouse facility focused exclusively on providing products to the marine and offshore
industry; and
WHEREAS, Breaux Petroleum continues to take great care in providing its products
and performing its services in a safe and environmentally responsible manner that strictly
adheres to all local, state, and federal regulations; its core commitment is to safety, which
the company values as a central aspect of the daily operations of both its employees and the
companies it serves; and
WHEREAS, Breaux Petroleum further prides itself on its willingness to go beyond
its primary business functions to support the communities in which it operates, including
through hurricane recovery support programs that provide vitally important fuel resources
for law enforcement, first responders, emergency services, electrical contractors, and local
residents in times of need; the company is also involved in numerous other initiatives that
help bolster the communities it serves; and
WHEREAS, one hundred years after its founding, Breaux Petroleum operates under
the leadership of the third, fourth, and fifth generation descendants of A.P. Breaux and
continues to serve as a trusted provider of quality products and services to the state's vitally
important energy, marine, transportation, construction, and agricultural industries; the
company is most deserving of recognition for its many achievements over the last century.
THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Legislature of Louisiana does hereby
commend Breaux Petroleum Products on the occasion of its one hundredth anniversary; does

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- 1 hereby recognize the company for its efforts to give back to the communities in which it
- 2 operates; and does hereby extend sincere hopes that Breaux Petroleum continues its
- 3 outstanding commitment to many of the state's most vital industries while maintaining its
- 4 focus on community service and the preservation of our beautiful state.
- 5 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a copy of this Resolution be transmitted to the
- 6 president of Breaux Petroleum.

DIGEST

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