

SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

1  
2           WHEREAS, The Legislature of the State of Texas is pleased to  
3 welcome the members of the Texas Independent Producers and Royalty  
4 Owners Association to Austin and to join them in celebrating  
5 February 26, 2009, as TIPRO Day at the State Capitol; and

6           WHEREAS, Beginning early in the 20th century, the great oil  
7 fields of Texas were discovered in rapid succession; from  
8 Spindletop to Burkburnett to Santa Rita to the Permian Basin, these  
9 vast reserves provided great wealth to our state; and

10           WHEREAS, Conflicts between independent producers and the  
11 major oil companies began to arise, and independent producers began  
12 to organize to protect their interests; in 1933, the Independent  
13 Petroleum Association was born in East Texas, and it soon grew to  
14 encompass producers from across the state; it was reconstituted in  
15 1946 as the Texas Independent Producers and Royalty Owners  
16 Association; and

17           WHEREAS, Independent oil producers create many jobs which  
18 benefit our state, and oil and natural gas production generated \$4  
19 billion in revenue through the severance tax in 2008; and

20           WHEREAS, Independent producers develop 90 percent of all  
21 American wells, and Texas' independent producers operate half of  
22 all active land rigs in the United States; their self-reliant  
23 attitude has produced a century of prosperity for our state, and  
24 they are truly deserving of recognition for their many

1 achievements; now, therefore, be it

2           RESOLVED, That the 81st Legislature of the State of Texas  
3 hereby commend the Texas Independent Producers and Royalty Owners  
4 Association on its many contributions to our state and extend to its  
5 members best wishes for a memorable TIPRO Day at the State Capitol;  
6 and, be it further

7           RESOLVED, That a copy of this resolution be prepared for this  
8 outstanding organization as an expression of esteem from the Texas  
9 Legislature.

David Newkirk  
President of the Senate

J. H.  
Speaker of the House

I hereby certify that S.C.R. No. 27 was adopted by the Senate on February 24, 2009.

Atsey Spaw  
Secretary of the Senate

I hereby certify that S.C.R. No. 27 was adopted by the House on February 25, 2009.

Robert Hamey  
Chief Clerk of the House

Approved:

5 MAR '09  
Date

RICK PERRY  
Governor

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Secretary of State