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HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 779

Offered February 2, 2021

3 *Commending Hardy Petroleum.*

Patrons-Marshall and Adams, L.R.; Senators: Ruff and Stanley

5 WHEREAS, Hardy Petroleum, a fuel and petroleum products company serving the Greater Danville 7 area, including Altavista and Martinsville, celebrates its 100th anniversary in 2021; and

8 WHEREAS, Hardy Petroleum was founded in 1921 by Henry Hardy, operating out of a small 9 building on Westover Drive in Danville and delivering Texaco products to local residents and 10 businesses; and

11 WHEREAS, Henry Hardy operated Hardy Petroleum until his death in 1976, at which point his 12 nephew, Bill Hardy, purchased the business, operating it until 2011; and

WHEREAS, since 2013, Hardy Petroleum has been owned and operated by Billy Hardy, son of Bill
Hardy, who has worked for the company for the past 38 years; and

WHEREAS, despite being smaller than many other fuel and petroleum product companies, Hardy
 Petroleum has thrived over the past century through its unwavering commitment to quality and service;
 and

18 WHEREAS, Hardy Petroleum has maintained its distinguished reputation for service throughout the
 19 COVID-19 pandemic by implementing recommended public health protocols, helping to ensure the
 20 safety and well-being of its customers; and

21 WHEREAS, the success of Hardy Petroleum is the result of the hard work and dedication of its 22 employees and the loyalty of its longtime customers; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED by the House of Delegates, the Senate concurring, That the General Assembly hereby
 commend Hardy Petroleum, a fuel and petroleum products company serving the Greater Danville area,
 on the occasion of its 100th anniversary; and, be it

RESOLVED FURTHER, That the Clerk of the House of Delegates prepare a copy of this resolution
 for presentation to Billy Hardy, owner of Hardy Petroleum, as an expression of the General Assembly's
 admiration for the company's history and achievements.