

# 2021 SPECIAL SESSION I

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## HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 779

*Commending Hardy Petroleum.*

Agreed to by the House of Delegates, February 4, 2021  
Agreed to by the Senate, February 11, 2021

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

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

WHEREAS, Henry Hardy operated Hardy Petroleum until his death in 1976, at which point his 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

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

WHEREAS, the success of Hardy Petroleum is the result of the hard work and dedication of its 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.

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