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HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 180

BY REPRESENTATIVE HONORE AND SENATOR BROOME

A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

To commend Stupp Corporation upon the celebration of its sixtieth anniversary.

WHEREAS, on September 15, 2012, Stupp Corporation will recognize and celebrate its sixtieth anniversary; and

WHEREAS, Stupp Corporation was originally formed in 1952 as Cal-Metal to produce "invasion pipe" for the Korean War effort; this pipe supported United States and Allied Forces' amphibious operations on the Korean Peninsula, and after the war, the company turned its attention to the growing energy infrastructure of the United States; and

WHEREAS, in 1960, Stupp Bros. acquired the interest of its partner in Cal-Metal and renamed the company Stupp Corporation; and

WHEREAS, in 1967, Stupp Corporation purchased one hundred ten acres of land in East Baton Rouge Parish to develop a new Electric Resistance Welded (ERW) mill, which was fully operational in 1969, making the company the first steel mill to produce twenty-four-inch ERW line pipe; and

WHEREAS, in 1993, Stupp Corporation partnered with The Bayou Companies to construct a state of the art Fusion Bond Epoxy (FBE) coating plant that was matched to the company's high rate of pipe production, and today, Bayou LLC is the most productive FBE coating plant in North America; and

WHEREAS, in 1997, a thirty million-dollar upgrade was completed on the ERW facility in Baton Rouge, which made Stupp Corporation the only North American mill to have continuous operating capability through twenty-four-inch pipe; and

WHEREAS, in 2009, Stupp Corporation commissioned an eighty million-dollar two-step helical pipe mill in Baton Rouge, which established the company as a factor not only in the United States but in the Western Hemisphere; and

WHEREAS, as one of the top employers in East Baton Rouge Parish, Stupp Corporation has employed more than five thousand employees; and

WHEREAS, Stupp Corporation's facilities in Louisiana represent substantial long-term investments, and their operations retain existing and attract new jobs, provide tax revenue, spur economic growth, and help meet the world's growing energy needs.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Legislature of Louisiana does hereby commend and congratulate Stupp Corporation upon the celebration of its sixtieth anniversary.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a copy of this Resolution be transmitted to Stupp Corporation.

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SPEAKER OF THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

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PRESIDENT OF THE SENATE