

THE STATE OF TEXAS

GOVERNOR

To all to whom these presents shall come, Greetings: Know ye that this certificate recognizes the grand opening of the

East Penn Manufacturing Co.

Finishing and Distribution Center

Temple, Texas August 16, 2022

Since the Gilded Age, Temple has been a vibrant hub of commerce and industry. Built as a railroad town in the heart of Texas, this community has long been a key contributor to our state's economy, and to this day, it remains at the forefront of industrial and economic activity. The city has, for generations, fostered home-grown businesses and attracted global economic juggernauts. In this vein, Temple's booming economy and strategic location have attracted East Penn Manufacturing Company, a multinational powerhouse in the lead battery industry. It is therefore my pleasure as Governor of Texas to congratulate the City of Temple and East Penn Manufacturing Company as it opens its state-of-the-art facility.

The State of Texas shares in East Penn's dedication to quality, innovation, and constant improvement, and I have no doubt that this facility's positive impacts will be felt far and wide for years to come. This enormous community investment will create hundreds of high-quality, high-paying jobs, and it will likewise bolster the economy of the city and the state. Texas has long strived to be the best place to live, work, and do business, and projects such as East Penn's expansion in Temple show that this crucial mission is indeed alive and well.

First Lady Cecilia Abbott joins me in sending best wishes.



In testimony whereof, I have signed my name and caused the Seal of the State of Texas to be affixed at the City of Austin, this the 16th day of August, 2022.

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