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R E S O L U T I O N

1 WHEREAS, Dr. Speck Phillips of Victoria is celebrating his
2 100th birthday in 2021, providing a welcome opportunity for family
3 and friends to express the love and affection they hold for him; and

4 WHEREAS, As a boy, Speck Phillips moved with his family to
5 Texas at the start of the Great Depression; he graduated from
6 Refugio High School in 1939 and then answered his nation's call to
7 duty, serving for five years in the U.S. Navy; in 1953, he received
8 a veterinary medicine degree from Texas A&M University, where he
9 was honored as the outstanding student in his graduating class; and

10 WHEREAS, Dr. Phillips practiced veterinary medicine for more
11 than half a century in Victoria, and he built a loyal clientele at
12 the Main Street Animal Hospital; he worked at four large ranches in
13 the area and gained experience caring for animals of all sizes,
14 including cattle; and

15 WHEREAS, In all his endeavors, Dr. Phillips enjoys the love
16 and support of his wife of 56 years, Bobbie Phillips, and their six
17 children; a man of strong faith, he has taught Sunday school at the
18 Rocky Creek Baptist Church, the Port O'Connor First Baptist Church,
19 and the First Baptist Church of Victoria; he has also been involved
20 in jail and prison ministries and has shared the gospel at the
21 Victoria County Juvenile Center for nearly two decades; a devoted
22 student of the Bible, he has committed numerous passages of
23 scripture to memory; and

24 WHEREAS, Dr. Speck Phillips has witnessed a panorama of

1 change over the course of a century, and he has met life's
2 challenges and opportunities with dignity and grace, earning the
3 deep admiration of all who are privileged to know him; now,
4 therefore, be it

5 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 87th Texas
6 Legislature, 2nd Called Session, hereby congratulate Dr. Speck
7 Phillips on the occasion of his 100th birthday and extend to him
8 sincere best wishes for continued happiness; and, be it further

9 RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be
10 prepared for Speck Phillips as an expression of high regard by the
11 Texas House of Representatives.