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R E S O L U T I O N

1           WHEREAS, A 75th wedding anniversary marks a lifetime of  
2 mutual devotion and shared experiences, and Ezequiel and Maria  
3 Anita Ramirez Silva of Brownsville are celebrating this joyous  
4 milestone in their marriage on October 23, 2023; and

5           WHEREAS, Ezequiel Silva Sr. and the former Anita Ramirez  
6 first met at a picnic on Easter Sunday in Brownsville in 1947;  
7 looking dapper in his double-breasted suit, Mr. Silva caught the  
8 eye of Ms. Ramirez, a recent Brownsville High School graduate;  
9 after a courtship that included dates at the Capitol cinema and  
10 dancing at the El Jardin Hotel, the couple were joined in matrimony  
11 in 1948 at Our Lady of Guadalupe Catholic Church in Brownsville; and

12           WHEREAS, Shortly after their union, Mr. and Mrs. Silva  
13 settled in Brownsville to raise their family, which today includes  
14 their five children, Ezequiel Silva Jr. and his wife, Shirley,  
15 Hector Silva and his wife, Rosaura, Cynthia Silva Martinez and her  
16 husband, Jose, Patsy Schanbaum and her husband, Robert, and Daniel  
17 Rene Silva and his wife, Leticia; they have been further blessed  
18 with 12 grandchildren, Ezequiel Silva III and his wife, Erika,  
19 Marcus Silva and his wife, Natalie, Natalie Lahti and her husband,  
20 Steve, Lauren Flores and her husband, Roy, Sara Zamora and her  
21 husband, Rolando, Chris Martinez and his wife, Cear, Nicholas  
22 Schanbaum and his wife, Terri, Kimberly Woolston and her husband,  
23 Jacob, Roni Bauman and her husband, Brandon, Jamie Ann Schanbaum,  
24 and Eric and Danielle Silva, as well as 17 great-grandchildren,

1 Sophie, Matthew, Anthony, and Aaron Silva, Ethan Carlson, Ethan and  
2 Judah Lahti, Evan and Evie Flores, Michael and Sofia Zamora, Emily  
3 and Mason Schanbaum, Logan and Brody Woolston, and Bobbie and  
4 Brenton Bauman; and

5 WHEREAS, Mr. and Mrs. Silva have enjoyed seven and a half  
6 decades of abiding love and affection for each other, and they are  
7 among an exceptional group of men and women who can claim such a  
8 lasting commitment; now, therefore, be it

9 RESOLVED, That the Senate of the 88th Texas Legislature, 3rd  
10 Called Session, hereby congratulate Ezequiel Silva Sr. and Maria  
11 Anita Ramirez Silva on their 75th wedding anniversary and extend to  
12 them sincere best wishes for continued happiness; and, be it  
13 further

14 RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be  
15 prepared for Mr. and Mrs. Silva as an expression of high regard by  
16 the Texas Senate.