

By: Slaton

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R E S O L U T I O N

1           WHEREAS, The 90th birthday of an esteemed Texan is indeed  
2 cause for celebration, and Melba Jean Ethridge is marking that  
3 special milestone on November 1, 2023; and

4           WHEREAS, The daughter of Estelle and Tennie Ham, the former  
5 Melba Jean Ham was born in 1933 in a small frame house in Lynn  
6 County; she learned from her parents the value of hard work,  
7 honesty, and integrity, and she went on to enjoy a successful  
8 47-year career as a beautician; and

9           WHEREAS, She married Edgar Eugene Ethridge, a World War II  
10 veteran, on June 1, 1949, and the couple shared more than six  
11 decades together, until Mr. Ethridge's passing in 2011; they raised  
12 their three sons, Doyle, Eddie, and Steven, in Slaton, and with the  
13 passing years, Mrs. Ethridge has delighted in becoming "Nannie" to  
14 her beloved grandchildren and great-grandchildren; and

15           WHEREAS, Melba Jean Ethridge has witnessed a panorama of  
16 change over the course of nine decades, and she has met life's  
17 challenges and opportunities with dignity and grace, earning the  
18 deep admiration of all who are privileged to know her; now,  
19 therefore, be it

20           RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 88th Texas  
21 Legislature hereby congratulate Melba Jean Ethridge on the joyous  
22 occasion of her 90th birthday and extend to her sincere best wishes  
23 for the future; and, be it further

24           RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be

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1 prepared for Mrs. Ethridge as an expression of high regard by the  
2 Texas House of Representatives.