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H.R. No. 120

R E S O L U T I O N

1 WHEREAS, A 73rd wedding anniversary is truly cause for a  
2 celebration, and on July 9, 2003, Hack and Norma Lasater of Slaton  
3 marked this memorable event in their marriage; and

4 WHEREAS, The couple met as teenagers, in Idalou, where Mr.  
5 Lasater's family farmed and his future bride visited relatives each  
6 summer from Cleburne; they maintained a long-distance courtship  
7 during the school year, and seven years after first meeting they  
8 finally exchanged their wedding vows, though their trip to the  
9 altar was not without challenges; they had to borrow \$10 from a  
10 friend and ride to Lubbock from Idalou in the rumble seat of a Model  
11 A Ford coupe to find a clergyman to marry them after the minister  
12 they had been going to use had to travel to Austin; and

13 WHEREAS, Their wedding at First Christian Church took place  
14 less than a year after the stock market crash of 1929; the newlyweds  
15 began their marriage with a \$10 wedding debt and Mr. Lasater's  
16 \$10-a-week job with the M Systems grocery chain that later became  
17 Furr's; he remained in the grocery business for more than 15 years,  
18 served his country as a member of the United States Army during  
19 World War II, and spent 21 years in partnership with his wife in a  
20 hardware and gift store before retiring in 1977; and

21 WHEREAS, Since their nuptials, Mr. and Mrs. Lasater have  
22 enjoyed a warm and fulfilling relationship that has been richly  
23 blessed with a wide circle of loved ones, including many young  
24 people who have looked to the couple as second parents; for more

1 than half a century, they have lived in the same home, been active  
2 congregants of the same church, and been involved with the Slaton  
3 Lions Club, and they remain valued members of their community; and

4 WHEREAS, Throughout 73 years, Mr. and Mrs. Lasater have  
5 shared the trials and triumphs of life together, and it is indeed a  
6 pleasure to join in honoring them at this time; now, therefore, be  
7 it

8 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 78th Texas  
9 Legislature, 1st Called Session, hereby congratulate Hack and Norma  
10 Lasater on the happy occasion of their 73rd wedding anniversary and  
11 extend to them heartfelt best wishes for continued happiness; and,  
12 be it further

13 RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be  
14 prepared for Mr. and Mrs. Lasater as an expression of high regard by  
15 the Texas House of Representatives.