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H.R. No. 157

R E S O L U T I O N

1 WHEREAS, A 50th birthday is truly cause for celebration, and
2 on September 30, 2003, Paul M. Wattles of Liberty Hill, Texas, will
3 commemorate this notable occasion in the company of his family and
4 many friends; and

5 WHEREAS, A native of Tucson, Arizona, Mr. Wattles was born in
6 1953, the same year that the first Chevrolet Corvette was
7 manufactured, that scientists first identified DNA, and that
8 Tucson-based television stations KOLD and KVOA first began
9 broadcasting; he shares his birth year with such well-known figures
10 as British Prime Minister Tony Blair, director and actor Ron
11 Howard, and guitarist Robert Cray; and

12 WHEREAS, Mr. Wattles graduated from Benson Union High School
13 in 1971 and went on to study journalism at Pima Community College,
14 where he was editor of the *Aztec News*, and at the University of
15 Arizona; at both institutions he set new standards of excellence
16 and received numerous journalism awards; and

17 WHEREAS, After graduation, he embarked on a career in
18 government, serving as press secretary for two United States
19 senators and a United States congressman; he moved to Austin in 1984
20 and has since worked in the private sector; and

21 WHEREAS, This esteemed professional is also a devoted husband
22 and father, whose dedication to his career is surpassed only by his
23 commitment to his family; he is supported in all that he does by his
24 wife, Sandra, and his two cherished children, Matthew and Jackie;

1 and

2 WHEREAS, Paul Wattles has enjoyed five decades of life, love,
3 and laughter, and it is a pleasure to join in honoring him and
4 celebrating this special day in his life; now, therefore, be it

5 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 78th Texas
6 Legislature, 3rd Called Session, hereby congratulate Paul M.
7 Wattles on the momentous occasion of his 50th birthday and extend to
8 him sincere best wishes for continued happiness; and, be it further

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