

R E S O L U T I O N

1           WHEREAS, A 50th wedding anniversary is truly cause for  
2 celebration, and on May 31, 2003, O. D. and Elizabeth Bretches of  
3 Midland marked this significant milestone with a family dinner at  
4 Pappadeaux Restaurant in Dallas; and

5           WHEREAS, Mr. Bretches and the former Elizabeth Davis  
6 exchanged their wedding vows on May 27, 1953, in a ceremony held in  
7 Denison; through the years, their close and enduring relationship  
8 has served as an inspiration to their wide circle of loved ones and  
9 has been the source of much happiness and contentment for these two  
10 committed individuals; and

11           WHEREAS, The heart of a close-knit family, Mr. and Mrs.  
12 Bretches have been blessed with two daughters, Debra Bretches and  
13 Susan Ray, and four grandchildren; and

14           WHEREAS, Mrs. Bretches was employed as a part-time bookkeeper  
15 with St. Luke's United Methodist Church, where the couple are  
16 valued congregants; Mr. Bretches retired in 1985 from a career with  
17 Arco Oil and Gas that spanned more than three decades; in addition  
18 to their church involvement, the couple participate with the Arco  
19 Retiree Club and several bridge groups; and

20           WHEREAS, For half a century, Mr. and Mrs. Bretches have  
21 brought much happiness and contentment into each other's lives, and  
22 it is a pleasure to honor them at this time; now, therefore, be it

23           RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 78th Texas  
24 Legislature, 3rd Called Session, hereby congratulate O. D. and

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1 Elizabeth Bretches on the joyous occasion of their 50th wedding  
2 anniversary and extend to them best wishes for continued happiness;  
3 and, be it further

4         RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be  
5 prepared for Mr. and Mrs. Bretches as an expression of high regard  
6 by the Texas House of Representatives.

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Speaker of the House

I certify that H.R. No. 246 was adopted by the House on  
October 10, 2003, by a non-record vote.

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Chief Clerk of the House