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H.R. No. 284

R E S O L U T I O N

1 WHEREAS, In commemoration of their golden wedding
2 anniversary, Charles and Marie Thurston of San Antonio are renewing
3 their wedding vows on May 30, 2004, at Second Baptist Church, the
4 ceremony to be followed by a family-hosted dinner and dance that
5 evening at the Spring Hill Event Center; and

6 WHEREAS, The Thurstons were married on June 1, 1954, and
7 their enduring union has brought great joy to their close-knit
8 circle of loved ones, which includes four daughters and
9 sons-in-law, Renee and Reggie Moore, Cynthia and Rickie Baker,
10 Patti and Paul Cooper, and Carmen and Jerry Webb, and 10 beloved
11 grandchildren; and

12 WHEREAS, Both natives of Virginia, the couple graduated from
13 Virginia State University; Dr. Thurston went on to Meharry Medical
14 College in Nashville, Tennessee, and later completed a residency in
15 dermatology in Ann Arbor, Michigan; and

16 WHEREAS, He joined the United States Air Force, attaining the
17 rank of colonel, and his family traveled with him to points around
18 the globe, finally coming to Lackland Air Force Base in San Antonio,
19 where he served as chief of dermatology; after retiring from the
20 military, Dr. Thurston opened a private practice, which he
21 continues today in downtown San Antonio; and

22 WHEREAS, While the family lived in Ann Arbor, Marie Thurston
23 earned a master's degree at the University of Michigan; in 2002, she
24 received a doctorate from the University of the Incarnate Word and

1 currently is employed with St. Philips College in the research
2 department; and

3 WHEREAS, Together, this devoted couple have shared the trials
4 and triumphs of five decades; their commitment to each other, to
5 their family, and to their community is inspirational, and it is a
6 distinct pleasure to honor them at this special time in their
7 marriage; now, therefore, be it

8 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 78th Texas
9 Legislature, 4th Called Session, congratulate Charles and Marie
10 Thurston on the milestone of their 50th wedding anniversary and
11 extend to them sincere best wishes for continued happiness; and, be
12 it further

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