

By: Jones of Dallas

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CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

1 WHEREAS, Eli and Earlie Mae Davis commemorated their golden
2 wedding anniversary with a renewal of their wedding vows on June 8,
3 2002, at Greater New Zion Baptist Church in Dallas; and

4 WHEREAS, Eli Davis and the former Earlie Mae Rhodes met as
5 students at Mary Allen College in Crockett, Texas; both recipients
6 of scholarships from their individual churches, the two were
7 academic achievers and campus leaders, and it wasn't long before
8 the quarterback of the football team and varsity cheerleader
9 realized they had met their match and became college sweethearts;
10 and

11 WHEREAS, United in matrimony on June 8, 1952, at James
12 Baptist Church in Fort Worth, Mr. and Mrs. Davis have been blessed
13 with two sons, two daughters, and one foster daughter; through the
14 years they have proudly watched their close-knit family grow to
15 include 10 grandchildren and 8 great-grandchildren; and

16 WHEREAS, A retired U.S. Army veteran, Mr. Davis served his
17 country during the Korean War and the Vietnam War, and later taught
18 in the Dallas Independent School District (DISD); Mrs. Davis is
19 also a retired educator of the DISD whose love of children has
20 touched the lives of countless young people; and

21 WHEREAS, Mr. and Mrs. Davis are active members of Greater New
22 Zion Baptist Church, where he is a deacon and participates in the
23 music ministry; she is a deaconess and usher and serves in the
24 mission ministry; both have made contributions to the wider

1 community through their involvement in various social, charitable,
2 and civic clubs; and

3 WHEREAS, These devoted Texans have shared an enduring union
4 filled with many happy times and cherished family memories, and it
5 is indeed a privilege to honor them for all they have accomplished
6 in their life together; now, therefore, be it

7 RESOLVED, That the 78th Legislature of the State of Texas
8 hereby congratulate Eli and Earlie Mae Davis on the joyful occasion
9 of their 50th wedding anniversary and extend to them sincere best
10 wishes for continued happiness; and, be it further

11 RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be
12 prepared for Mr. and Mrs. Davis as an expression of high regard by
13 the Texas House of Representatives and Senate.