## RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, April 7, 2003, marks a memorable event in the lives of James and Maxine Marchbanks, as on that day this loving couple celebrate 53 years of marriage; and

WHEREAS, Mr. and Mrs. Marchbanks were joined in matrimony on April 7, 1950, in Waxahachie, and their longtime union has been characterized by love, honesty, and mutual respect throughout the ensuing years; and

WHEREAS, A dynamic gentleman of many talents and interests, Mr. Marchbanks has served in the United States Army, owned several businesses, purchased the Beaver Creek Ranch in Athens, and worked in the oil industry with his sons; throughout their 53 years of marriage, Mrs. Marchbanks has been a dedicated homemaker for her husband and children; and

WHEREAS, This devoted couple have been blessed with four children, Karen Lynn, Phillip Mac, James William, Jr., and Fonny Mark, and nine grandchildren; Mr. and Mrs. Marchbanks look forward to any occasion that will bring their close-knit group together and their emphasis on the importance of family has undoubtedly contributed to the longevity and success of their marriage; and

WHEREAS, For more than half a century, Mr. and Mrs. Marchbanks have enjoyed a strong and lasting union filled with many happy times and cherished family memories and their fruitful marriage will continue to grow with each passing year, enriching not only their own lives, but the lives of those around them; now,
therefore, be it
RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 78th Texas Legislature hereby honor James and Maxine Marchbanks on the occasion of their 53rd wedding anniversary and extend to them sincere best wishes for future happiness; and, be it further

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

