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R E S O L U T I O N

1 WHEREAS, One of the state's most outrageous political
2 consultants recently stumbled into his sixth decade, a feat that is
3 all the more remarkable given his unrepentant ways and means, which
4 most people assumed would at the very least have landed him in the
5 pokey by now; and

6 WHEREAS, Born April 18, 1953, to somewhat proud parents
7 Dorothy Nell and Billy Ray Pewitt, the no-longer-young Billy
8 Randell Pewitt eked his way through the Fort Worth public school
9 system and somehow convinced the powers-that-be at The University
10 of Texas at Arlington to present him with a diploma in 1975; and

11 WHEREAS, With a bachelor's degree in political science in his
12 back pocket, he wrangled a job with the comptroller's office under
13 the legendary Bob Bullock; in 1977 he made his way into the Capitol,
14 and it now appears that there is little chance of him ever leaving,
15 despite the wishes of those who have had the "privilege" of working
16 with him; and

17 WHEREAS, Old Man Pewitt and his lovely wife, the former
18 Shannon Elizabeth McCann, recently celebrated their 21st
19 anniversary; ever in search of an edge, Mr. Pewitt arranged for his
20 nuptials to take place the day before his birthday, thereby
21 minimizing the chances of forgetting his own anniversary; of
22 course, at his advanced age, his memory is not what it used to be, so
23 all bets are off from here on out; and

24 WHEREAS, When not scaring other people's children, Old Man

1 Pewitt enjoys exploiting his own offspring for his personal gain or
2 for the benefit of his clients; his two-year-old daughter recently
3 attended an appropriations hearing and, at his behest, cried out,
4 "Give my daddy his money back right now!"; and

5 WHEREAS, During a recent visit to the Capitol, son Jack
6 appropriated Speaker Craddick's gavel, no doubt at the urging of
7 his father; eldest son Will, who served as a congressional intern in
8 2002, was surely an unwitting accomplice in some nefarious scheme
9 to infiltrate the federal government; and

10 WHEREAS, Famed, or infamous, for his elaborate parties, Old
11 Man Pewitt is indirectly responsible for countless attendees
12 showing up late or calling in sick on the mornings after; of course,
13 the host is always on time, fueled by the steady stream of Diet Coke
14 that he ingests on a daily basis; and

15 WHEREAS, Despite the inevitable loss of his mental and
16 physical faculties, Old Man Pewitt can take solace in the fact that
17 his long-suffering, beautiful trophy wife, Shannon, and his dynamic
18 assistant, Alison, will be on hand to look after him as he enters
19 his golden years, and we can all be especially thankful for this
20 fact because it means that we don't have to; now, therefore, be it

21 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 78th Texas
22 Legislature hereby commiserate with Billy Randell Pewitt on his
23 50th birthday and extend deepest sympathy to him on becoming
24 officially old; and, be it further

25 RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be
26 presented to Old Man Pewitt to remind him that he really is 50,
27 despite what he tells everyone.