

By: Hodge

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R E S O L U T I O N

1 WHEREAS, William A. Shirley, Jr., of Dallas is celebrating
2 the joyous occasion of his 60th birthday on May 24, 2003; and

3 WHEREAS, Born in Springfield, Illinois, he moved with his
4 family to San Angelo in the 1940s and learned the value of hard work
5 at an early age at his family's small business, the Shirley Floral
6 Company; and

7 WHEREAS, After earning a degree in accounting from The
8 University of Texas at Austin in 1965, Mr. Shirley moved to Dallas,
9 where he has enjoyed a successful career in real estate and
10 investments; an avid runner who was a member of his high school
11 track team and the track team at Texas A&M University, he continues
12 to strive to top his personal best and has run in numerous
13 challenging races, including the New York City, Boston, and White
14 Rock marathons; and

15 WHEREAS, In all that he does, this outstanding Texan enjoys
16 the love and support of his family, which includes his devoted wife,
17 Colleen McGhee Shirley, his five children, Peyton Shirley, Sarah
18 Shirley, Sterling Shirley Williams, Pascal Shirley, and Sofia
19 Shirley, and his four grandchildren, Ioachim, Ana, Simona, and
20 Pavel; and

21 WHEREAS, With 60 years of wonderful memories, William Shirley
22 truly has reason to celebrate, and it is a pleasure to join in
23 honoring him at this time; now, therefore, be it

24 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 78th Texas

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1 Legislature hereby congratulate William A. Shirley, Jr., on his
2 60th birthday and extend to him sincere best wishes for continued
3 happiness; and, be it further

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