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## RESOLUTION

1 WHEREAS, The wedding anniversary of two outstanding Texans 2 who have shared 60 happy and rewarding years of marriage is truly a

3 notable occasion; and

WHEREAS, James D. Ross, Sr., and Billie Ross of Midland are

5 commemorating this event in their lives in June 2003, when they will

celebrate their 60 years of mutual affection and devotion with a

7 family cruise to Alaska; and

8 WHEREAS, United in marriage on April 16, 1943, in Rockwall,

Texas, the couple have seen their relationship grow in love and

10 respect with each passing year; and

11 WHEREAS, Mr. Ross is a certified public accountant who was a

valued employee of U.S. Steel Corporation early in his career and

retired as president of Tipperary Corporation in 1989; Mr. Ross is

currently associated with Hy-Bon Engineering Company, the board of

15 directors of Texas Mutual Insurance Company, and a number of civic

and professional organizations, while Mrs. Ross is a dedicated

homemaker and an active member of the Midland County Republican

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19 WHEREAS, The Rosses are blessed with three children, Janet

Antonson, James D. Ross, Jr., and Jonathan Ross, all of whom have

21 benefited immeasurably from their parents' unfailing love and

22 guidance; and

WHEREAS, For six decades, Mr. and Mrs. Ross have enjoyed a

24 union filled with many wonderful times and joyful family memories,

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- 1 and their relationship remains a source of inspiration to the
- 2 family and many friends of this fortunate pair; now, therefore, be
- 3 it
- 4 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 78th Texas
- 5 Legislature hereby congratulate James D. Ross, Sr., and Billie Ross
- 6 on their 60th wedding anniversary and extend to them sincere best
- 7 wishes for continued happiness; and, be it further
- 8 RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be
- 9 prepared for Mr. and Mrs. Ross as an expression of high regard by
- 10 the Texas House of Representatives.