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## RESOLUTION

- 1 WHEREAS, A golden wedding anniversary is a momentous event in
- 2 the lives of two people, and on June 18, 2005, John and Mary Lou
- 3 Midkiff of Midland marked this special occasion; and
- 4 WHEREAS, The couple celebrated their 50 years of marriage
- 5 with a cruise and land tour of Alaska and a reception and dance
- 6 hosted by their children and grandchildren at the Petroleum Club on
- 7 July 9; and
- 8 WHEREAS, United in matrimony on June 18, 1955, in Rankin, Mr.
- 9 and Mrs. Midkiff have since shared an enduring union and have been
- 10 blessed with three sons, Johnny, Greg, and Clay, and 12
- 11 grandchildren; and
- 12 WHEREAS, The Midkiffs previously lived in Rankin, where they
- owned and operated Mary Lou's Drug Store until the early 1970s, when
- 14 they moved to the family farm in Midland; through the years, they
- 15 have been involved in farming, ranching, and the oil and gas
- 16 business, and they are members of the Texas Southwestern Cattle
- 17 Raisers Association as well as valued congregants of First
- 18 Christian Church of Midland; and
- 19 WHEREAS, A source of pride and inspiration for their family
- 20 and friends for more than half a century, Mr. and Mrs. Midkiff have
- 21 nurtured a strong bond of love and mutual respect, filling each
- 22 other's lives with many happy times and cherished family memories;
- 23 now, therefore, be it
- 24 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 79th Texas

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- 1 Legislature, 1st Called Session, hereby congratulate John and Mary
- 2 Lou Midkiff on the joyous occasion of their 50th wedding
- 3 anniversary and extend to them warmest best wishes for continued
- 4 happiness; and, be it further
- 5 RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be
- 6 prepared for Mr. and Mrs. Midkiff as an expression of high regard by
- 7 the Texas House of Representatives.