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RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, John Henry "Johnny" Williams, Jr., and Joan Gayle
 "Joanie" Moore will be celebrating their 50th wedding anniversary
 on August 26, 2005; and

WHEREAS, Mr. and Mrs. Williams were married on August 26,
1955, in Dallas, Texas, at the Craig Chapel of the Gaston Avenue
Baptist Church; and

7 WHEREAS, They are both graduates of Woodrow Wilson High 8 School and have resided in the Dallas area all of their lives, 9 mostly in Lake Highlands; and

10 WHEREAS, They have three wonderful children: a daughter, 11 Kim, her husband, Mike, and their children Hallie, Justin, Abbie, 12 and Wade; a daughter, Kelly, her husband, Ken, and their daughter, 13 Nicole; and a son, Kirk, his wife, Cindy, and their children, 14 Mackenzie and Meyer; and

15 WHEREAS, Joanie worked at the Greenville Avenue Bank before 16 her marriage to Johnny and then became a proud homemaker and mother 17 often known to say that she had "the most important jobs any person 18 will ever have"; and

WHEREAS, Mrs. Williams volunteered for numerous worthwhile organizations in Dallas, including the Dallas Women's Forum, the Dallas Garden Club, the Beta Sigma Phi Service Organization, and the Children's Medical Center in Dallas, where she has volunteered for more than 40 years, and she has served the center as one of the founders, an advisory board member, and its first president; and

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1 WHEREAS, She is a talented seamstress, an exceptional cook, a
2 gifted gardener, and a legendary hostess; and

3 WHEREAS, Mr. Williams, along with his father, owned the Chris 4 Craft boat dealership in Dallas on White Rock Lake and later moved 5 his Johnny Williams Marine dealership to Garland Road, where he 6 remained in business for many years; and

7 WHEREAS, Johnny retired as a professional in the mid-1970s 8 and then managed as well as owned commercial and residential 9 property, including a marina on Lake Ray Hubbard formerly known as 10 Pier 67 and now known as Captain's Cove; and

11 WHEREAS, He was a founding member of the Dallas Boat Show and 12 is a current member of the Dallas Wooden Boat Club; and

13 WHEREAS, This gentleman, through his generosity and reasoned 14 advice, has helped countless people both young and old alike; and

15 WHEREAS, This great couple has loved the lakes of North Texas 16 where Johnny grew up on White Rock Lake and where his parents owned 17 and operated the Bonnie Barge, a historic landmark on White Rock 18 Lake from 1946 to 1956; and

WHEREAS, Johnny and Joanie had their first date at White Rock Lake in January 1952, and they spent many summers on both Lake Ray Hubbard and Lake Texoma with their children and grandchildren; and

22 WHEREAS, This beloved couple are members of the Children's 23 Medical Center Circle of Care, which recognizes and honors them for 24 their generous and ongoing support of this splendid organization so 25 close to their hearts; and

26 WHEREAS, They are members of the Fellowship Bible Church of 27 Dallas where they are well known for the love and support they have

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freely given to friends and family over these many years, and they 1 have opened their home to both old and new acquaintances, ailing 2 3 children's friends, relatives, their and an occasional 4 stranger--leaving their boundless love for one another as a lasting 5 impression on all whose lives they have touched; and

6 WHEREAS, They will be celebrating their 50th wedding 7 anniversary with family and friends on Friday, August 26, 2005, in 8 the Rosine Hall at the Dallas Arboretum, and a Texas flag will be 9 officially flown over the State Capitol in Austin on that date in 10 their honor; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 79th Texas Legislature extend heartiest congratulations to Mr. and Mrs. Williams on the celebration of their 50th wedding anniversary; and, be it further

15 RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be 16 prepared for Mr. and Mrs. Williams as well as for each of their 17 children and grandchildren as an expression of high regard by the 18 Texas House of Representatives.

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Speaker of the House

I certify that H.R. No. 435 was adopted by the House on July 19, 2005, by a non-record vote.

Chief Clerk of the House