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R E S O L U T I O N

1           WHEREAS, John Henry "Johnny" Williams, Jr., and Joan Gayle  
2 "Joanie" Moore will be celebrating their 50th Wedding Anniversary  
3 on August 26, 2005; and

4           WHEREAS, Mr. and Mrs. Williams were married on August 26,  
5 1955, in Dallas, Texas, at the Craig Chapel of the Gaston Avenue  
6 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

19           WHEREAS, Mrs. Williams volunteered for numerous worthwhile  
20 organizations in Dallas, including the Dallas Women's Forum, the  
21 Dallas Garden Club, Beta Sigma Phi Service Organization, the  
22 Children's Medical Center in Dallas where she has volunteered for  
23 more than forty years, and served the Center as one of the founders,  
24 an Advisory Board member and its first President; and

1           WHEREAS, She is a talented seamstress, exceptional cook,  
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, later moving his  
5           Johnny Williams Marine dealership to Garland Road where he remained  
6           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 where his parents operated  
17          and owned the Bonnie Barge, a historic landmark on White Rock Lake  
18          from 1946 to 1956; and

19          WHEREAS, Johnny and Joanie had their first date at White Rock  
20          Lake in January 1952, and they spent many summers on both Lake Ray  
21          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

1 freely given to friends and family over these many years and have  
2 opened their home to both old and new acquaintances, ailing  
3 relatives, their children's friends, and an occasional  
4 stranger - leaving their boundless love for one another as a  
5 lasting 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, at  
8 the Dallas Arboretum in the Rosine Hall, 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

11 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 79th Texas  
12 Legislature extend heartiest congratulations to Mr. and Mrs.  
13 Williams on the celebration of their 50th Wedding Anniversary; and,  
14 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.