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H.R. No. 173

R E S O L U T I O N

1 WHEREAS, The congregants of Sacred Heart Church in Waco are
2 deeply appreciative of their pastor, the Reverend Lawrence Soler,
3 and on September 10, 2005, they are celebrating his 50th
4 anniversary in the priesthood with a Mass of Thanksgiving and a
5 reception; and

6 WHEREAS, Over the course of these past five decades, Reverend
7 Soler has strengthened the faith and uplifted the hearts and
8 spirits of many people who have sought his wisdom and counsel; he
9 has also presided over a host of joyous milestones in the lives of
10 his parishioners, conducting thousands of marriages, baptisms,
11 confirmations, and first communions; and

12 WHEREAS, At Sacred Heart, where he has served for 27 years,
13 Reverend Soler has overseen a dramatic expansion of church
14 facilities in order to serve the flourishing Catholic community in
15 South Waco; in recent years, he has guided the construction of a
16 \$1.2 million sanctuary and a \$2 million CCE and parish activity
17 center; and

18 WHEREAS, Reverend Soler has been a blessing in the lives of
19 countless people during a half-century of dedicated service to his
20 church and community, and he remains a source of support and
21 inspiration to all who know him; now, therefore, be it

22 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 79th Texas
23 Legislature, 2nd Called Session, hereby warmly congratulate the
24 Reverend Lawrence Soler on his 50th anniversary in the priesthood

1 and extend to him sincere best wishes for the future; and, be it
2 further

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