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HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

1 WHEREAS, For 75 years, Liberty National Bank in Paris has 2 served residents of the city of Paris and Lamar County, and the 3 anniversary of this venerable enterprise offers a fitting 4 opportunity to celebrate its history of success and achievement; 5 and

6 WHEREAS, Chartered in 1931 on the heels of the Great 7 Depression, Liberty National Bank in Paris traces its roots to the 8 former City National Bank, which opened in 1890; over the course of 9 its 75-year existence, the bank has thrived thanks to the foresight 10 of its visionary leaders, the commitment of its dedicated 11 employees, and the continued support of its loyal customer base; 12 and

WHEREAS, This notable financial institution has been further blessed by a stable local economy that has successfully transitioned from a primarily agricultural market to a diversified economy that supports a host of industrial jobs and other employment and investment opportunities; and

WHEREAS, Among the eminent leaders of the bank is the Cecil family: James M. Cecil sat on the original board of directors and served as president from 1941 until his passing in 1953; his son, J. Gilbert Cecil, succeeded him as president, holding the post until 1975 when his son, Philip R. Cecil, took the reins; today, Carl T. Cecil oversees the day-to-day operation of the bank, continuing the family's legacy of leadership as the fourth generation of Cecil

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1 presidents; and

2 WHEREAS, Throughout its impressive history, Liberty National 3 Bank in Paris has adapted to meet the varying needs of its 4 customers; the bank currently features four branches, including its 5 main location at the corner of 3rd Northeast and Lamar Avenue, and 6 its quality of service over the past 75 years has remained 7 consistently high; and

8 WHEREAS, To help commemorate this momentous anniversary, the 9 employees of Liberty National Bank in Paris have created an exhibit 10 celebrating the history and achievements of the bank, and this 11 impressive archival display further demonstrates the bank's 12 unwavering commitment to customer satisfaction; now, therefore, be 13 it

14 RESOLVED, That the 79th Legislature of the State of Texas, 15 3rd Called Session, hereby recognize the 75th anniversary of 16 Liberty National Bank in Paris and honor the many individuals, past 17 and present, who have contributed to its success; and, be it further 18 RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be 19 prepared for Liberty National Bank in Paris as an expression of high 20 regard by the Texas House of Representatives and Senate.

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President of the Senate

Speaker of the House

I certify that H.C.R. No. 32 was adopted by the House on May 4, 2006, by a non-record vote.

Chief Clerk of the House

I certify that H.C.R. No. 32 was adopted by the Senate on May 10, 2006, by a viva-voce vote.

Secretary of the Senate

APPROVED: _____

Date

Governor