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H.C.R. No. 32

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

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

18           WHEREAS, Among the eminent leaders of the bank is the Cecil  
19 family: James M. Cecil sat on the original board of directors and  
20 served as president from 1941 until his passing in 1953; his son, J.  
21 Gilbert Cecil, succeeded him as president, holding the post until  
22 1975 when his son, Philip R. Cecil, took the reins; today, Carl T.  
23 Cecil oversees the day-to-day operation of the bank, continuing the  
24 family's legacy of leadership as the fourth generation of Cecil

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.