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H.R. No. 52

R E S O L U T I O N

1 WHEREAS, Bedford resident Basil McDaniel celebrated his 80th
2 birthday on July 13, 2005, with no plans to retire from the
3 profession he clearly loves; and

4 WHEREAS, The esteemed co-owner of Hair Haven, Mr. McDaniel
5 has been cutting and styling hair for the better part of eight
6 decades; licensed at the age of 19, he earned money cutting hair
7 while earning a bachelor's degree in speech and drama at the
8 University of Oklahoma; and

9 WHEREAS, Following college, Mr. McDaniel worked as a
10 hairdresser and also taught continuing education classes; he
11 interrupted his civilian career to serve in the armed forces and saw
12 action in the Korean War before returning to Oklahoma City in 1951;
13 and

14 WHEREAS, A talented stylist, he won the state and national
15 championships of the Hairdressers and Cosmetology Association in
16 1963 and was soon thereafter asked to be the stylist for a new
17 Motown Records supergroup, the Supremes; and

18 WHEREAS, In 1969, after six years of traveling with the
19 rhythm-and-blues hit-makers, Mr. McDaniel was lured out of an early
20 retirement by an official from the Miss Texas pageant; a year later,
21 the stars aligned once again as he became the stylist for Phyllis
22 George, the reigning Miss Dallas and the future Miss America; and

23 WHEREAS, Held in warm regard and affection for his longtime
24 work with the Miss Northeast Tarrant Scholarship Organization and

1 the Miss Texas Scholarship Pageant, Basil McDaniel has made many
2 good friends and accumulated countless fond memories over the
3 years, and he remains an inspiration to all who know him; now,
4 therefore, be it

5 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 79th Texas
6 Legislature, 3rd Called Session, hereby congratulate Basil
7 McDaniel on his 80th birthday and extend best wishes to him for
8 continued happiness; and, be it further

9 RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be
10 prepared for Mr. McDaniel as an expression of high regard by the
11 Texas House of Representatives.