## RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, In commemoration of their golden wedding anniversary, Lamesa residents Joe and Joann Stone were the guests of honor at a family-hosted celebration held in March 2006; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Stone and the former Joann Hendricks began their journey as husband and wife on March 20, 1956, at a ceremony held at Emanuel Baptist Church in Brownfield, the West Texas community where both the bride and groom were raised; in the early days of their marriage, the couple lived in Harlingen before making Lamesa their permanent home; and

WHEREAS, Born in Boswell, Oklahoma, Mrs. Stone has been a dedicated homemaker throughout her marriage, and she has also worked outside the home in retail management; Mr. Stone is a native of Harmony who is retired from a distinguished career with the Texas Department of Public Safety Highway Patrol; and

WHEREAS, The Stones are the proud parents of three children, Mike, Lonnie, and Richard, and they have also shared in the joy of welcoming two beloved grandchildren into the family fold; and

WHEREAS, Together, Mr. and Mrs. Stone have experienced life's trials and triumphs for five decades, and their enduring union remains an inspiration to their loved ones; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 79th Texas Legislature, 3rd Called Session, hereby warmly congratulate Joe and Joann Stone on their 50th wedding anniversary and extend to them heartfelt best wishes for continued happiness; and, be it further 2 prepared for Mr. and Mrs. Stone as an expression of high regard by the Texas House of Representatives.

Craddick

Speaker of the House

I certify that H.R. No. 144 was adopted by the House on May 4, 2006, by a non-record vote.

