By: Campbell H.R. No. 625

RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, Five decades of marriage is truly an occasion for 1 celebration, and on July 28, 2006, Melvin and Dorothy Durst of 2 3 Fredericksburg are observing their 50th wedding anniversary; and WHEREAS, It was love at first sight for Melvin Albert Durst 4 5 and Dorothy Mae Esquell when they met in 1955 at a dance at Spring Creek Hall in Gillespie County; they were married the following 6 year at St. Anthony's Catholic Church in Harper; following a 7 honeymoon in Carlsbad, New Mexico, the newlyweds settled in 8 Fredericksburg, at the Durst family farm, where they have lived 9 throughout their marriage; and 10 WHEREAS, Mr. and Mrs. Durst take great pride in their 11 12 children, David James Durst and Carol Amy Rode Durst, Elgin August 13 Durst and Kim Andri Meier Durst, Karen Ann Durst Newman and James 14 Bruce Newman, and Daniel Henry Durst, and they have delightedly welcomed two more generations into their family, including 15 grandchildren Christine Marie Durst Duecker and her husband, 16 Barrett Duecker, Tiffany Helena Durst, Rachael Ann Durst, Amber 17 Michelle Durst, Bradley Melvin Durst, Lyle Owen Durst, Derek 18 Stanley Durst, Scott Richmond Durst, Shae Nicole Durst, Blake 19 Clayborn Durst, Justin Henry Durst, Heath James Hamilton and his 20 21 wife, Rachel Gean Hamilton, Jared Wade Hamilton, Miles Wayne Durst, 22 Mason Scott Durst, and the late Madelynn Marie Durst, and great-grandson Austin James Hamilton; and 23

WHEREAS, Members of St. Mary's Catholic Church for 50 years,

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- 1 this devoted couple share many interests, including dancing and
- 2 watching their grandchildren play various sports; Mrs. Durst also
- 3 enjoys working in her garden, while Mr. Durst enjoys ranching,
- 4 farming, fishing, and hunting; and
- 5 WHEREAS, Over the course of half a century, Mr. and Mrs. Durst
- 6 have experienced the myriad joys and challenges of marriage and
- 7 parenthood, and it is indeed a pleasure to honor them; now,
- 8 therefore, be it
- 9 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 79th Texas
- 10 Legislature, 3rd Called Session, hereby congratulate Melvin and
- 11 Dorothy Durst on their golden wedding anniversary and extend to
- 12 them sincere best wishes for continued happiness; and, be it
- 13 further
- 14 RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be
- 15 prepared for Mr. and Mrs. Durst as an expression of high regard by
- 16 the Texas House of Representatives.