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R E S O L U T I O N

1           WHEREAS, The 70th birthday of an esteemed Texan is truly  
2 cause for celebration, and on February 13, 2005, Birdie Mae Leona  
3 Grace Thomas of Houston is marking this significant milestone in  
4 her long and happy life; and

5           WHEREAS, A native of Houston, she was raised in the city's  
6 historic Fifth Ward and is a 1952 graduate of Phillis Wheatley High  
7 School, where she met her future husband, Carlton Wendell Thomas;  
8 and

9           WHEREAS, Today the mother of five cherished daughters,  
10 Deborah, Cheryl, Pamela, Vicky, and Karen, she also takes great  
11 pride in the loving relationship she shares with her goddaughter,  
12 Samantha Robicheaux, her sons-in-law, her grandchildren, and her  
13 great-grandchildren; and

14           WHEREAS, In addition to rearing a fine family, this notable  
15 woman was a valued employee of Southwestern Bell Telephone Company  
16 for 35 years, during which time she never missed a single day of  
17 work; and

18           WHEREAS, Since retiring in 2000, Mrs. Thomas still leads a  
19 busy life and enjoys her church activities, shopping, traveling,  
20 and spending time with friends and family; and

21           WHEREAS, Birdie Thomas is beloved by many for her caring and  
22 generous nature, and with seven decades of wonderful memories, a  
23 loving family, and close friends, she indeed has reason to  
24 celebrate; now, therefore, be it

1           RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 79th Texas  
2   Legislature hereby congratulate Birdie Mae Leona Grace Thomas on  
3   the momentous occasion of her 70th birthday and extend to her best  
4   wishes for continued happiness; and, be it further

5           RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be  
6   prepared for Mrs. Thomas as an expression of high regard by the  
7   Texas House of Representatives.