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H.R. No. 339

R E S O L U T I O N

1           WHEREAS, Davis and Mary Nan Payne of Midland celebrated their  
2 50th wedding anniversary with family and friends at a reception on  
3 April 3, 2004; and

4           WHEREAS, Mr. Payne and the former Mary Nan Ratliff met while  
5 working at the Western Company and were united in matrimony on April  
6 3, 1954, at the First Methodist Church in Odessa; they continue to  
7 work together today as the owners of their own oil company, Polaris  
8 Production Corporation; over the years, they have felt great pride  
9 as their family has grown to include two children, Nancy Stacks and  
10 Garry Payne, as well as their beloved grandchildren; and

11           WHEREAS, Decorations at their anniversary celebration at the  
12 Petroleum Club made use of treasured keepsakes from their wedding  
13 as well as family heirlooms from both Mr. and Mrs. Payne's  
14 relatives; guests from throughout the state and from Louisiana and  
15 California attended the noteworthy event, which included the  
16 presentation of a memory book to the honored couple; and

17           WHEREAS, With this special gift, the Paynes can reflect with  
18 joy on the five decades that they have shared, treasuring the many  
19 bright moments of their lives together; for half a century, this  
20 couple has nurtured an unwavering devotion and commitment that  
21 continues to be an inspiration to all who know them; now, therefore,  
22 be it

23           RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 79th Texas  
24 Legislature hereby congratulate Davis and Mary Nan Payne on their

1 golden wedding anniversary and extend to them best wishes for  
2 continued happiness; and, be it further

3         RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be  
4 prepared for Mr. and Mrs. Payne as an expression of high regard by  
5 the Texas House of Representatives.