By: Craddick H.R. No. 341

RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, A 50th wedding anniversary is truly cause for 1 2 rejoicing, and Gary and Jan Owen of Midland marked this momentous milestone in their long and happy marriage on June 6, 2004; and 3 WHEREAS, Mr. Owen and the former Janiece Harris were married 4 5 on June 6, 1954, at Asbury Methodist Church in Lubbock; they moved 6 to Midland in 1958 after graduating from Texas Tech University; and WHEREAS, This devoted couple are the proud parents of two 7 children, Linda Kidwell and Chuck Owen, and they have welcomed with 8 delight four cherished grandchildren into their family; and 9 WHEREAS, Mr. Owen is retired from Great Western Drilling and 10 11 Mrs. Owen is a homemaker; over the years, both have given generously 12 of their time and talents to the community; Mr. Owen has been involved with the Jaycees, Downtown Lions Club, and Little League, 13 14 while Mrs. Owen has worked with the Children's Service League and currently volunteers with HospiceMidland; and 15

WHEREAS, These admirable citizens are also valued congregants of First Baptist Church, where Mr. Owen serves as a deacon; and

WHEREAS, To celebrate their golden anniversary, Mr. and Mrs.
Owen planned a cruise to Alaska; and

21 WHEREAS, For five decades, Gary and Jan Owen have enjoyed a 22 relationship founded on love, trust, and mutual respect, and their 23 marriage remains a source of inspiration and joy to all who have 24 shared in the richness of their lives; now, therefore, be it

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- 1 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 79th Texas
- 2 Legislature hereby honor Gary and Jan Owen on the occasion of their
- 3 50th anniversary and extend to them sincere best wishes for
- 4 continued happiness; and, be it further
- 5 RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be
- 6 prepared for Mr. and Mrs. Owen as an expression of high regard by
- 7 the Texas House of Representatives.