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RESOLUTION

1 WHEREAS, Wally and Barbara Bircher of Houston marked a golden 2 milestone in their long and happy union when they celebrated their 3 50th wedding anniversary on February 12, 2005; and

WHEREAS, This devoted couple were joined in matrimony on February 12, 1955, in their hometown of New Orleans; through the years, they have nurtured a strong bond of love, and their marriage

has been blessed with five children and three granddaughters; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Bircher had a distinguished 35-year career with the IBM Corporation before his retirement; over the years, he has volunteered with Houston's Northwest YMCA, Black Junior High School, Waltrip High School, and St. Rose of Lima Church; a tutor at local schools as well, he works with students in Klein ISD, Houston ISD, and St. Rose School, providing training in computer operations; and

WHEREAS, Mrs. Bircher is a homemaker whose children benefited

from her love and support and the time she spent volunteering as a room mother, softball coach, and concessionaire at the Northwest

18 YMCA; and

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19 WHEREAS, Together, Mr. and Mrs. Bircher have shared a rich 20 and rewarding marriage, and it is a pleasure to join in honoring 21 their enduring union; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 79th Texas Legislature hereby honor Wally and Barbara Bircher on their 50th wedding anniversary and extend to them sincere best wishes for

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- 1 continued happiness; and, be it further
- 2 RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be
- 3 prepared for Mr. and Mrs. Bircher as an expression of high regard by
- 4 the Texas House of Representatives.

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Speaker of the House

I certify that H.R. No. 368 was adopted by the House on February 24, 2005, by a non-record vote.

Chief Clerk of the House