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## RESOLUTION

1 WHEREAS, Andrew and Ila Martinez of Huntsville are 2 celebrating a special milestone in their lives on May 27, 2005, for 3 that date marks the joyous occasion of their golden wedding 4 anniversary; and

5 WHEREAS, Mr. and Mrs. Martinez met in October 1954 and were 6 married the following spring on May 27, 1955; their enduring union 7 has been blessed with three children, Debbie, Andrea, and Russell, 8 and they have also shared in the joy of welcoming a beloved 9 granddaughter, Angela, into their close-knit family; and

10 WHEREAS, Valued members of the Huntsville community for much 11 of their marriage, Mr. Martinez owned his own business, Martinez 12 Tire and Supply, served on the Huntsville City Council in the early 13 1970s, and later became active in the insurance industry, while 14 Mrs. Martinez worked in the family restaurant and nurtured the 15 children throughout their younger years; and

16 WHEREAS, Together, Mr. and Mrs. Martinez have played an 17 active role in Republican politics since 1988; Mr. Martinez served 18 the party as Republican county chair from 1996 to 2000, and Mrs. 19 Martinez has served as an officer at every level of the Walker 20 County Republican Women's Club, including as the group's president 21 from 1998 to 2000; and

22 WHEREAS, Congregants of Second Baptist Church, Mr. and Mrs. 23 Martinez continue to serve their community in a variety of ways; Mr. 24 Martinez, an ordained Baptist minister, has remained active in the

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Shriners and the Lions Club and is a trustee of the Gulf Coast
Trades Center and a member of the Trinity River Authority; Mrs.
Martinez belongs to a local chapter of the Red Hat Society and
volunteers for the HEARTS Veterans Museum; and

5 WHEREAS, For half a century, Andrew and Ila Martinez have 6 provided a good life for their family, given back to the community, 7 and cherished their bond of love, and it is a privilege to honor 8 them for all that they have accomplished during their years of 9 marriage; now, therefore, be it

10 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 79th Texas 11 Legislature hereby congratulate Andrew and Ila Martinez on the 12 memorable occasion of their 50th wedding anniversary and extend to 13 them warmest best wishes for continued happiness; and, be it 14 further

15 RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be 16 prepared for Mr. and Mrs. Martinez as an expression of high regard 17 by the Texas House of Representatives.

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Speaker of the House

I certify that H.R. No. 949 was adopted by the House on April 14, 2005, by a non-record vote.

Chief Clerk of the House