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R E S O L U T I O N

1 WHEREAS, March 9, 2005, was truly a momentous day in the long
2 and happy life of Julia Odom of Gladewater, for on that day, she
3 celebrated her 110th birthday; and

4 WHEREAS, Having lived in three different centuries, Mrs. Odom
5 has witnessed many remarkable changes and marvels since her birth
6 in 1895, including the invention of the airplane and man's walk on
7 the moon, as well as the proliferation of the Internet and cell
8 phones; and

9 WHEREAS, This lovely Texan married William Eli Odom on
10 November 25, 1911, and has called Gladewater home since 1933, when
11 she and her husband arrived in the East Texas town to operate a
12 combination grocery store and gas station; and

13 WHEREAS, Over the years, Mrs. Odom has been blessed with
14 three children, five grandchildren, 25 great-grandchildren, four
15 great-great grandchildren, and seven great-great-great
16 grandchildren, and she takes great pride in her role as the beloved
17 matriarch of a warm and loving family; and

18 WHEREAS, Julia Odom is an inspiration to all who are
19 privileged to know her, and she has blessed the lives of countless
20 individuals with her generosity and kindness; it is indeed a
21 pleasure to recognize her at this time for 11 decades of life well
22 lived; now, therefore, be it

23 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 79th Texas
24 Legislature hereby congratulate Julia Odom on her 110th birthday

1 and extend to her sincere best wishes for continued happiness; and,
2 be it further

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