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## RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, July 1, 2005, will indeed be a memorable day in the life of Robert Lloyd Parker I of Houston, for it marks his 65th

birthday as well as his retirement from Procter & Gamble; and

WHEREAS, A native of Galveston, Mr. Parker moved with his

5 family to Houston as a child, and following graduation from Phillis

Wheatley High School he attended Texas Southern University, where

he majored in industrial education; and

8 WHEREAS, He began his first career at the Houston plant of

Maxwell House Coffee, a division of General Foods; starting as a

general laborer, he was promoted to shipping and receiving clerk

before military service intervened, and he devoted the next four

12 years of his life to serving in the United States Air Force; and

WHEREAS, Following his honorable discharge, he returned to

Maxwell House and a promotion to supervisor-in-training; joining

15 the General Foods sales force in 1971, he lived in Topeka, Kansas,

16 and New York City over the course of a successful career with the

17 company that would span 28 years and see him attain the level of

account manager before his retirement in 1986; and

19 WHEREAS, After two short years, it was back to work for this

20 industrious gentleman when he accepted a position as an account

21 manager with Procter & Gamble, and he will retire from his second

career in the post of market account manager, a position he has held

23 since 1999; and

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24 WHEREAS, Devoted to his family, he is married to Carrye

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- 1 Parker, and together they have five children and four
- 2 grandchildren; in addition to spending time with his loved ones,
- 3 Mr. Parker will have plenty of interests to keep him busy in
- 4 retirement, as assistant director of the men's ministry at Greater
- 5 Vision Church, a cosponsor of Gents for Jesus, and a hunting and
- 6 fishing enthusiast; an avid golfer as well, he holds the office of
- 7 vice president of the Lone Star Golf Association, the oldest
- 8 African American golf organization in the Lone Star State; and
- 9 WHEREAS, Bobby Parker has demonstrated commitment to his
- 10 family, faith, career, and community throughout his life, and he
- 11 may reflect with pride on his myriad achievements; now, therefore,
- 12 be it
- RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 79th Texas
- 14 Legislature hereby congratulate Robert Lloyd Parker I on the dual
- occasion of his 65th birthday and his second retirement in a life
- 16 well lived; and, be it further
- 17 RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be
- 18 prepared for Mr. Parker as an expression of high regard by the Texas
- 19 House of Representatives.