By: Flynn H.R. No. 2215

RESOLUTION

1 WHEREAS, Citizens of Ben Wheeler lost two of the town's most

beloved residents within the span of a year with the death of Pastor

Howard Borgeson on April 5, 2004, and the passing of his wife,

4 Edith, on March 26, 2005; and

5 WHEREAS, Truly brought together by their faith, Mr. and Mrs.

Borgeson met at the Dallas Theological Seminary and were married on

December 15, 1943; they nurtured a strong bond of love and mutual

8 respect for more than 60 years, and were blessed with two children;

moreover, the couple shared in the joy of welcoming six

grandchildren and two great-grandchildren into their cherished

11 family; and

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WHEREAS, Mr. Borgeson, born on December 25, 1921, was

instrumental in building the Austin Grace Church and parsonage in

14 Austin, which he led for 12 years; after moving to Kansas City, he

15 helped to establish St. Paul's Church of the Nazarene in Raytown,

16 Missouri, where he was pastor for 23 years; having relocated to Ben

Wheeler 19 years ago, the couple belonged to the Lakeview Church of

18 the Nazarene in Tyler, and Mr. Borgeson sang in the choir and filled

in to preach in any church where the need arose; and

WHEREAS, Born on April 18, 1921, Mrs. Borgeson was a devoted

21 wife and caring homemaker who possessed a great love for people;

22 while in Kansas, she served as a substitute teacher, and she

remained a constant source of support and strength throughout her

24 husband's ministry; and

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- WHEREAS, The certain knowledge of a life well lived may temper the profound sadness that the passing of Mr. and Mrs.

 Borgeson brings to all who loved them; these two exceptional individuals devoted their lives to serving the needs of their fellow citizens, and their spirits will continue to live through the legacy of good works they have left behind; now, therefore, be it
- RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 79th Texas

 Legislature hereby pay tribute to the lives of Howard and Edith

 Borgeson and extend sincere sympathy to the members of their

 family: to their children, Dr. Jim Borgeson and Susan Fuller; to

 their six grandchildren and two great-grandchildren; and to their

 other relatives and friends; and, be it further
- RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be prepared for their family and that when the Texas House of Representatives adjourns this day, it do so in memory of Howard and Edith Borgeson.