

SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 973

**WHEREAS**, The Senate of the State of Texas is pleased to pay tribute to Willard Lewis of Mount Pleasant on the grand occasion of his 80th birthday on May 26, 2005; and

**WHEREAS**, Willard was born in 1925 in Titus County to Alza and Ophelia Lewis; he attended Booker T. Washington High School and served his country during World War II as a member of the 92nd Infantry, Buffalo Division; he had tours of duty in Italy and Switzerland and attained the rank of sergeant; and

**WHEREAS**, He is the father of five children and has been married to Julia Ann Pauline Hurndon since 1965; he retired in 1985 after 30 years of service with Petrofina Oil Refinery; and

**WHEREAS**, Willard attends Sheppard Street Church of Christ and serves on the membership committee; he also serves as director of the Planning Committee for Piney Cemetery; and

**WHEREAS**, A 77-year resident of Mount Pleasant, Willard is a highly esteemed member of his community; in honor of his 80th birthday, his family and friends will join him on May 28, 2005, to congratulate him and share in this milestone in his life; now, therefore, be it

**RESOLVED**, That the Senate of the State of Texas, 79th Legislature, hereby recognize Willard Lewis as a treasured citizen of our state and extend to him best wishes on his 80th birthday; and, be it further

**RESOLVED**, That a copy of this Resolution be prepared for him as a memento of this special day.

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President of the Senate

I hereby certify that the above Resolution was adopted by the Senate on May 20, 2005.

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Secretary of the Senate

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Member, Texas Senate