

SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 1048

WHEREAS, The Senate of the State of Texas is pleased to pay tribute to William Earl "Blackie" Kines on the grand occasion of his 80th birthday; and

WHEREAS, Blackie Kines was born in Kaufman on July 1, 1925, to M. L. "Moss" Lee and Bessie Keith Kines; he was the fifth of eight children born to the second-generation Texans, whose forebears immigrated from Germany and embraced the freedom they found in America; and

WHEREAS, Blackie completed school in Quinlan; during World War II, he was a first responder at the air base in Terrell, where Royal Air Force pilots were trained at the British Flying Training School; and

WHEREAS, He married Dorothy F. Harris on May 4, 1950, at the First Methodist Church of Greenville, and he has three children, eight grandchildren, and three great-grandchildren; and

WHEREAS, He worked as a foreman for Metzgers' Dairy from 1946 through 1984, when the dairy closed; he then joined Arthur's Creamery as a foreman and retired in 1992; and

WHEREAS, With his gentle strength and his warmhearted wisdom, he has been an exemplary role model for his children and their children, and he has encouraged them to challenge their fears and embrace their aspirations; and

WHEREAS, Blackie Kines is an esteemed member of his community, and he is indeed worthy of legislative recognition as he reaches this important milestone in his life; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That the Senate of the State of Texas, 79th Legislature, hereby recognize William Earl "Blackie" Kines as a treasured citizen of the State of Texas and extend best wishes to him 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 in his life.

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President of the Senate

I hereby certify that the above Resolution was adopted by the Senate on May 27, 2005.

Secretary of the Senate

Member, Texas Senate