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R E S O L U T I O N

1           WHEREAS, A 90th birthday is truly cause for celebration, and  
2 Anna Haisler Baker marked this special milestone in her life on  
3 September 9, 2006; and

4           WHEREAS, Born in Caldwell in 1916, Anna Haisler was about  
5 eight years old when she moved with her family to Alief; some nine  
6 years later she married James Mayes "J. M." Baker, and the couple  
7 became the parents of five beloved children, James, David, Alva,  
8 Linda, and Billy; and

9           WHEREAS, Capable and hardworking, Anna Baker mastered skills  
10 that were rarely acquired by women in her day, for she helped to  
11 build houses, drove dump trucks, and became the first woman to be  
12 employed as a bus driver for the Katy Independent School District;  
13 she held the latter job for 22 years, and during that time she had  
14 the memorable experience of driving a bus to the 1959 play-off game  
15 that gave Katy High School its first state football championship;  
16 before retiring from the Katy ISD in 1985, Mrs. Baker also managed  
17 the Addicks Elementary School cafeteria, worked as a custodian at  
18 Katy High School, and painted school buildings over the summer  
19 break; and

20           WHEREAS, A resident of Harris County for more than 75 years,  
21 Anna Baker joined the First Presbyterian Church of Barker in 1947,  
22 and she remains a vital member of that congregation, which has  
23 reorganized in Katy as New Hope Presbyterian; as she enters her 10th  
24 decade, this delightful woman continues to be involved in a number

1 of activities, serving on several church committees, visiting with  
2 residents of the Katyville Nursing Center, attending Katy High  
3 School football games, and enjoying recreational programs  
4 sponsored by Katy Social Services, especially games of 88; and

5 WHEREAS, Over the years, Mrs. Baker has contributed steadily  
6 to her community and enriched immeasurably the lives of her family  
7 and friends; now, therefore, be it

8 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 80th Texas  
9 Legislature hereby congratulate Anna Haisler Baker on her 90th  
10 birthday and extend to her sincere best wishes for continued  
11 happiness and good fortune; and, be it further

12 RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be  
13 prepared for Mrs. Baker as an expression of high regard by the Texas  
14 House of Representatives.