By: Craddick H.R. No. 1028

RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, An inspiring couple whose lives have been enhanced 1 2 by a great and enduring love, Thomas and Martha Vannaman of Midland 3 celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary on June 9, 2006; and WHEREAS, Thomas L. Vannaman and the former Martha Stone were 4 5 united in matrimony at the First United Methodist Church in Midland 6 in 1956; they have nurtured a close and fulfilling marriage that has been made even richer with the addition of three children, Valerie, 7 Thomas, and Timothy Vannaman, as well as five grandchildren; and 8 WHEREAS, Mr. Vannaman served in the U.S. Navy for 23 years and 9 taught accounting and economics for Midland College for 30 years; 10 in addition, he is active in the Midland Masonic Lodge No. 623, 11 12 Tranquility Lodge No. 2000, and Grand Lodge of Texas; he and Mrs. 13 Vannaman are valued members of St. Luke's United Methodist Church; 14 and WHEREAS, Having witnessed innumerable changes in the world 15 over the past half-century, this devoted husband and wife have 16 taken comfort in the reassuring strength of their love, and the 17 18 steadfast support they provide to one another has allowed them to life's challenges and opportunities with 19 meet grace and 20 determination; now, therefore, be it 21 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 80th Texas

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Legislature hereby congratulate Thomas and Martha Vannaman on their

golden wedding anniversary and extend to them sincere best wishes

for continued happiness; and, be it further

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- 1 RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be
- 2 prepared for Mr. and Mrs. Vannaman as an expression of high regard
- 3 by the Texas House of Representatives.