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## RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, O. F. Jones III of Victoria is celebrating his 75th birthday on March 26, 2007, and this milestone provides a fitting opportunity to recognize his myriad achievements; and

WHEREAS, A native of the Lone Star State, Mr. Jones was born in Cuero in 1932; he graduated from Waco High School and went on to earn his bachelor's and law degrees from The University of Texas; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Jones has had a distinguished legal career that
has spanned more than half a century; starting out with the firm of
Witt, Terrell, Jones & Riley in Waco, he later joined Guittard,
Henderson, Jones & Lewis in Victoria and in 1972 established the Law
Office of O. F. Jones III; also trained by the American Arbitration

Association, he has been a mediator since 1994; and

WHEREAS, His talents have benefited the Texas Bar Foundation board of trustees, the Lawyer-Pilots Bar Association board of directors, the American Judicature Society, and the American Bar Association; he has also held a number of leadership positions, serving as director of the State Bar of Texas and president of the Victoria County Bar Association; and

WHEREAS, In addition to his many professional responsibilities, Mr. Jones has been active in his community, sharing his time with the Victoria YMCA, United Fund, American Red Cross, and Texas Historical Society, and serving as president of the Victoria Rotary Club and the Victoria County Historical

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- 1 Society; and
- WHEREAS, Mr. Jones is blessed with a close-knit family that
- 3 includes his wife of more than 50 years, Nanne O'Keefe Jones, three
- 4 sons, Chris, Britt, and Patrick, and eight grandchildren; and
- 5 WHEREAS, With his outstanding record of professional
- 6 accomplishments and a circle of admiring friends, colleagues, and
- 7 family members, "Dink" Jones indeed has reason to celebrate on this
- 8 special occasion; now, therefore, be it
- 9 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 80th Texas
- 10 Legislature hereby congratulate O. F. Jones III on his 75th
- 11 birthday and extend to him warmest best wishes for the future; and,
- 12 be it further
- 13 RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be
- 14 prepared for Mr. Jones as an expression of high regard by the Texas
- 15 House of Representatives.