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## RESOLUTION

1 WHEREAS, O. F. Jones III of Victoria celebrated his 75th 2 birthday on March 26, 2007, and this milestone provides a fitting 3 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

8 WHEREAS, Mr. Jones has had a distinguished legal career that 9 has spanned more than half a century; starting out with the firm of 10 Witt, Terrell, Jones & Riley in Waco, he later joined Guittard, 11 Henderson, Jones & Lewis in Victoria and in 1972 established the Law 12 Office of O. F. Jones III; also trained by the American Arbitration 13 Association, he has been a mediator since 1994; and

14 WHEREAS, His talents have benefited the Texas Bar Foundation 15 board of trustees, the Lawyer-Pilots Bar Association board of 16 directors, the American Judicature Society, and the American Bar 17 Association; he has also held a number of leadership positions, 18 serving as director of the State Bar of Texas and president of the 19 Victoria County Bar Association; and

In many 20 WHEREAS, addition his professional to 21 responsibilities, Mr. Jones has been active in his community, sharing his time with the Victoria YMCA, United Fund, American Red 22 Cross, and Texas Historical Society, and serving as president of 23 the Victoria Rotary Club and the Victoria County Historical 24

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1 Society; and

2 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, daughter, Claudia, and eight 5 grandchildren; and

6 WHEREAS, With his outstanding record of professional 7 accomplishments and a circle of admiring friends, colleagues, and 8 family members, "Dink" Jones indeed has reason to celebrate; now, 9 therefore, be it

10 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 80th Texas 11 Legislature hereby congratulate O. F. Jones III on his 75th 12 birthday and extend to him warmest best wishes for the future; and, 13 be it further

14 RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be 15 prepared for Mr. Jones as an expression of high regard by the Texas 16 House of Representatives.

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Speaker of the House

I certify that H.R. No. 1453 was adopted by the House on April 27, 2007, by a non-record vote.

Chief Clerk of the House