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## RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, An inspiring couple whose lives have been enhanced by a great and enduring love, Ray and Jerry Kirkpatrick of Grand

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Saline celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary on April 8, 2007;

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5 WHEREAS, Mr. and Mrs. Kirkpatrick were united in matrimony at

the old Nazarene Church Parsonage in Grand Saline in 1957; they have

7 nurtured a close and fulfilling marriage that has been made even

richer with the addition of two children, Don and Ricky, as well as

9 four grandchildren; and

10 WHEREAS, A longtime employee of Morton Salt, Mr. Kirkpatrick

retired after 36 years of service to the company; he was also a

member of the military, and his tour of duty took him to Fort Bliss

in El Paso, where he was part of the guided missile school; Mrs.

14 Kirkpatrick has dedicated herself to her home and her family

15 throughout their marriage; and

16 WHEREAS, Having witnessed innumerable changes in the world

over the past half-century, this devoted husband and wife have

taken comfort in the reassuring strength of their love, and the

steadfast support they provide to one another has allowed them to

meet life's challenges and opportunities with grace and

21 determination; now, therefore, be it

22 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 80th Texas

23 Legislature hereby congratulate Ray and Jerry Kirkpatrick on their

24 golden wedding anniversary and extend to them sincere best wishes

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- 1 for continued happiness; and, be it further
- 2 RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be
- 3 prepared for Mr. and Mrs. Kirkpatrick as an expression of high
- 4 regard by the Texas House of Representatives.