By: Dunnam H.R. No. 2960

RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, Sharing a deep bond of love that has spanned five decades, O. E. and Leta Hartgroves of Waco are celebrating their 50th wedding anniversary on July 23, 2007; and

WHEREAS, Ollie Earl Hartgroves, Jr., and the former Leta Bell Cupp exchanged the vows of matrimony at North Waco Baptist Church on that special day in 1957, and over the course of their marriage, they have found in each other a devoted life partner; and

WHEREAS, Mr. and Mrs. Hartgroves count among their blessings a fine family that includes their children, Tammie Hartgroves, Janie Hartgroves-Barton and her husband, Carl, Lawrence Hartgroves and his wife, Lori, and Thomas Hartgroves and his wife, Kay; in addition, their family has grown to include seven grandchildren, Samantha Weido, Christopher Paulson, and Lauren, Lindsey, Laci, Jacob, and Justin Hartgroves, as well as a great-grandchild, Shelby Blakeslee; and

WHEREAS, Respected members of their community, this husband and wife team own and operate Hartgroves Tax Service; previously, Mr. Hartgroves worked for the U.S. Postal Service as a finance director, and Mrs. Hartgroves was a teacher with the Waco Independent School District; in addition to meeting their professional and family responsibilities, the Hartgroves are valued members of the First Baptist Church of Woodway, the Hewitt Lions Club, and the Historic Waco Foundation; in 1992, Mr. Hartgroves was elected Lion of the Year, and Mrs. Hartgroves has

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- 1 been named Woman of the Year by the Laureate Gamma Epsilon chapter
- of Beta Sigma Phi Sorority, where she holds membership; a former
- 3 Marine, Mr. Hartgroves graduated from Baylor University, and Mrs.
- 4 Hartgroves earned her bachelor's degree from Texas A&M University
- 5 and her master's degree in education from Tarleton State
- 6 University; and
- WHEREAS, Looking back over the past five decades, Ollie and
- 8 Leta Hartgroves can savor a wealth of cherished family memories and
- 9 know that the strength of their love and commitment ensures that
- 10 many more joyful times await them; now, therefore, be it
- 11 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 80th Texas
- 12 Legislature hereby congratulate O. E. and Leta Hartgroves on their
- 13 50th wedding anniversary and extend to them sincere best wishes for
- 14 continued happiness; and, be it further
- 15 RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be
- 16 prepared for Mr. and Mrs. Hartgroves as an expression of high regard
- 17 by the Texas House of Representatives.