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R E S O L U T I O N

1 WHEREAS, The 80th birthday of an esteemed Texan is indeed
2 cause for celebration, and Julius H. Newton of San Antonio marked
3 this important milestone on March 26, 2008; and

4 WHEREAS, Born in Cuero on March 26, 1928, to Clenon and Homer
5 Zell Newton, Mr. Newton attended Daule High School before moving to
6 San Antonio and graduating from Phillis Wheatley High School in
7 1947; and

8 WHEREAS, He began his career in cosmetology soon thereafter,
9 attending the Charms of Beauty School and Hicks Beauty School; Mr.
10 Newton soon gained recognition as a stylist, earning first place in
11 an annual hairstyling competition for 10 consecutive years; he
12 later returned to Hicks as an instructor, training a new generation
13 of cosmetologists; and

14 WHEREAS, This talented entrepreneur opened his first beauty
15 shop on the west side of San Antonio in 1958; his east side
16 business, Julius Newton House of Beauty, remains the oldest African
17 American business on the east side of San Antonio, where it
18 continues to thrive under the motto, "If Your Hair Isn't Becoming to
19 You, Then You Should Be Coming to Me"; and

20 WHEREAS, Mr. Newton has also been known for his leadership in
21 the community, where he has offered his time, energy, and
22 compassion to a number of worthy causes; a man of faith and a gifted
23 singer, he has been active for many years in the choir of the New
24 Light Baptist Church as a performer, a conductor, and a teacher of

1 young vocalists; he sang in the citywide Revival Choir for more than
2 40 years; and

3 WHEREAS, Throughout the years, Julius Newton has dedicated
4 himself to enhancing the lives of his fellow citizens, and it is
5 indeed fitting to honor him for his myriad accomplishments; now,
6 therefore, be it

7 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 81st Texas
8 Legislature hereby congratulate Julius H. Newton on his 80th
9 birthday and extend to him sincere best wishes for continued good
10 fortune; and, be it further

11 RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be
12 prepared for Mr. Newton as an expression of high regard by the Texas
13 House of Representatives.