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R E S O L U T I O N

1           WHEREAS, Elizabeth Marie Walterscheid of Hereford is  
2 commemorating her 100th birthday on February 24, 2009, and this  
3 memorable milestone is truly worthy of special recognition; and

4           WHEREAS, Born in Lindsay to Lena and Charles Loerwald,  
5 Elizabeth Marie Loerwald attended the local Catholic school; in her  
6 hometown, German was the predominant language spoken, but she was  
7 also fluent in English by the age of five; and

8           WHEREAS, Liz Loerwald met Frank Walterscheid at a dance in  
9 nearby Muenster, and the couple were married on April 10, 1929, at a  
10 ceremony held at St. Peter's Catholic Church in Lindsay; the two  
11 were avid square dancers for many years and shared nearly six  
12 decades together before Mr. Walterscheid passed away; and

13           WHEREAS, In 1943, the couple bought a farm a few miles north  
14 of Hereford, where they lived with their family until 1961; at that  
15 time, they moved into a home on Douglas Street in Hereford, where  
16 Mrs. Walterscheid still resides today; and

17           WHEREAS, She is the loving mother of nine children, Vincent,  
18 Leonard, Kenneth, Larry, Betty, Doris, Jeanette, and the late Alvin  
19 and Richard; Mrs. Walterscheid delights in spending time with her  
20 family, which has grown to include 31 grandchildren, 55  
21 great-grandchildren, and 5 great-great-grandchildren; and

22           WHEREAS, A member of St. Anthony's Catholic Church in  
23 Hereford, she has devoted many hours to the activities of the altar  
24 society; throughout her life, she has been a respected seamstress,

1 working at two sewing factories and creating beautiful quilts on  
2 her own time that have become very popular items at family reunion  
3 auctions; Mrs. Walterscheid also takes pleasure in games of cards  
4 and dominoes; and

5 WHEREAS, Blessed with a devoted family and admiring friends,  
6 Liz Walterscheid remains a source of joy and inspiration to all who  
7 have the great privilege of knowing her, and she may reflect with  
8 pride on a century of life well lived; now, therefore, be it

9 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 81st Texas  
10 Legislature hereby congratulate Elizabeth Marie Walterscheid on  
11 the occasion of her 100th birthday and extend to her sincere best  
12 wishes for continued happiness; and, be it further

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