

R E S O L U T I O N

1 WHEREAS, An inspiring couple whose lives have been enhanced
2 by a great and enduring love, Novert and Mary Merino of Midland
3 celebrated their 65th wedding anniversary on January 31, 2009; and

4 WHEREAS, Novert Merino and the former Mary Espinoza were
5 united in matrimony on that special day in 1944 at a ceremony held
6 in Bastrop; through the decades, they have nurtured a fulfilling
7 marriage that has been made even richer with each passing year; and

8 WHEREAS, Mr. Merino worked for Colorama Company and
9 Renditions I, formerly Town and Country Decorators, for many years
10 until his retirement; Mrs. Merino retired as a seamstress for
11 Dunlap's after a career that spanned 32 years; the couple are active
12 members in the Baptist Church; and

13 WHEREAS, While much has changed in the world over the past 65
14 years, this devoted husband and wife have remained constant in
15 their commitment to one another, and the strength of their love has
16 enabled them to meet life's challenges with grace and optimism;
17 now, therefore, be it

18 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 81st Texas
19 Legislature hereby congratulate Novert and Mary Merino on the
20 occasion of their 65th wedding anniversary and extend to them
21 sincere best wishes for continued happiness; and, be it further

22 RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be
23 prepared for Mr. and Mrs. Merino as an expression of high regard by
24 the Texas House of Representatives.

Craddick

H.R. No. 1297

Speaker of the House

I certify that H.R. No. 1297 was adopted by the House on April 23, 2009, by a non-record vote.

Chief Clerk of the House