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RESOLUTION

1 WHEREAS, An inspiring couple whose lives have been enhanced 2 by a great and enduring love, Roger and Mary Ruth Walters of 3 Longview celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary on April 11, 4 2009; and

5 WHEREAS, Mr. and Mrs. Walters were united in matrimony on 6 that special day in 1959; through the years, they have nurtured a 7 fulfilling marriage that has been made even richer with the 8 addition of three children, Chris Walters and his wife, Linda, Amy 9 Lardie and her husband, Kevin, and Pene Smith and her husband, 10 Jackie, and five cherished grandchildren, Erik, Scott, Brendan, 11 Brooke, and Jace; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Walters answered his nation's call to duty with many years of service in the U.S. Marine Corps, retiring as a lieutenant colonel in 1977; he went on to work in the oil and gas industry and later became director of the Gregg County Airport before retiring in 2001; Mrs. Walters is a homemaker; and

WHEREAS, While innumerable changes have taken place in the world during the past half-century, this devoted husband and wife have remained constant in their commitment to one another, and the strength of their love has enabled them to meet life's challenges and opportunities with grace and optimism; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 81st Texas Legislature hereby congratulate Roger and Mary Ruth Walters on their 50th wedding anniversary and extend to them sincere best

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1 wishes for continued happiness; and, be it further

2 RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be 3 prepared for Mr. and Mrs. Walters as an expression of high regard by 4 the Texas House of Representatives.