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R E S O L U T I O N

1 WHEREAS, A 60th wedding anniversary marks a lifetime of
2 mutual devotion and shared experiences, and Juan D. and Jerry
3 Nichols of Quitman celebrated this joyous milestone in their
4 marriage on May 18, 2011; and

5 WHEREAS, Juan D. Nichols and the former Jerry Jordan first
6 met while attending Winnsboro High School and later attended
7 college together; after Mr. Nichols joined the U.S. Navy, they were
8 joined in matrimony in 1951 at a ceremony held at the Methodist
9 church in Vallejo, California; and

10 WHEREAS, Through the years, the couple have been blessed with
11 a treasured family that includes four children, Marian Nichols
12 Jackson, Carolyn Gilbreath and her husband, Harold, D'Ann Drennan
13 and her husband, John, and Connie Hamm Nichols, as well as eight
14 grandchildren, Monica, Emily, Chris, Callie, Thomas, Katherine,
15 Molly, and Audrey; and

16 WHEREAS, Respected members of their community, Mr. and Mrs.
17 Nichols are graduates of Texas A&M University--Commerce; retired
18 since 1997, Mr. Nichols served as executive vice president of Wood
19 County Electric Cooperative for 35 years; he is currently chair of
20 the board of BankTexas and is a longtime member of the Quitman
21 Rotary Club, a 32nd degree Mason, a Shriner, and a past Worshipful
22 Master; Mrs. Nichols taught kindergarten in their home for eight
23 years as well as remedial reading for the Quitman Independent
24 School District; she was the first female director on the Sabine

1 River Authority, which she further served as president; and

2 WHEREAS, This esteemed couple have enjoyed six decades of
3 abiding love and affection for one another, and they are among an
4 exceptional group of men and women who can claim such a lasting
5 commitment; now, therefore, be it

6 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 82nd Texas
7 Legislature, 1st Called Session, hereby congratulate Juan D. and
8 Jerry Nichols on their 60th wedding anniversary and extend to them
9 sincere best wishes for continued happiness; and, be it further

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