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RESOLUTION

1 WHEREAS, Dorothy Grace Turner Jenkins of Kerrville is

2 celebrating her 90th birthday on July 1, 2011, and this milestone is

3 indeed deserving of special recognition; and

WHEREAS, Born in 1921 in her grandmother's home in Luling,

5 Dorothy Grace Turner moved with her family to Seguin a year later;

6 she attended The University of Texas, where she majored in music and

7 joined the Chi Omega sorority; and

8 WHEREAS, Dorothy Grace Turner moved to Houston in the early

9 1940s, and after college she returned there to work; she was

10 singing in the choir at First Methodist Church when she met Kenneth

11 Allen Jenkins, the son of her choir director and the man who would

12 become her life partner; the two were joined in matrimony on April

13 17, 1941, and they shared 55 rewarding years together, until Mr.

14 Jenkins's passing in 1996; the couple became the proud parents of

15 two daughters, Catherine Vivien Jenkins Comiskey and Patricia Grace

16 Jenkins Jones, and today Mrs. Jenkins's family also includes five

17 grandchildren and three great-grandchildren; and

18 WHEREAS, This esteemed Texan has always played an active role

19 in her community; while living in Houston, she was involved in

20 P.E.O., an organization that promotes educational opportunities

21 for women, and in another important philanthropic group, the Blue

22 Bird Circle; she was also active in the Chi Omega alumni chapter and

23 in First Methodist Church; following her family's move to McAllen,

24 she became a valued member of that community's First United

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- 1 Methodist Church, joined the McAllen Country Club, where she
- 2 enjoyed playing tennis, and continued to be involved with P.E.O.
- 3 and the Chi Omega alumni; since relocating to Kerrville in 2002, she
- 4 has affiliated with the First United Methodist Church there,
- 5 remained involved with other alumni of her sorority, and joined the
- 6 Riverhills Country Club; in addition, she still enjoys a good game
- 7 of bridge; and
- 8 WHEREAS, Blessed with a devoted family and admiring friends,
- 9 Dorothy Grace Jenkins is a source of joy and inspiration to all who
- 10 have the great privilege of knowing her and sharing in the richness
- 11 of her life; now, therefore, be it
- RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 82nd Texas
- 13 Legislature, 1st Called Session, hereby congratulate Dorothy Grace
- 14 Turner Jenkins on the occasion of her 90th birthday and extend to
- 15 her sincere best wishes for continued happiness; and, be it further
- RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be
- 17 prepared for Mrs. Jenkins as an expression of high regard by the
- 18 Texas House of Representatives.

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Speaker of the House

I certify that H.R. No. 208 was adopted by the House on June 27, 2011, by a non-record vote.

Chief Clerk of the House