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R E S O L U T I O N

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

4 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

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

12 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

16 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.