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RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, The Reverend L. S. Wilson of Fort Worth turned 75
years old on March 2, 2011, and this significant milestone is truly
deserving of special recognition; and

WHEREAS, A native Texan who was born in 1936 on Texas 4 5 Independence Day, L. S. Wilson graduated from I. M. Terrell High School in Fort Worth; he continued his education at Bishop College 6 7 and went on to earn a bachelor's degree from Dallas Baptist University and a master's degree in administration from Texas A&M 8 9 University--Commerce and enjoyed a notable career as an educator before retiring as assistant principal of Justin Ford Kimball High 10 11 School in Dallas; and

12 WHEREAS, Reverend Wilson answered the call to the ministry in 13 1971; he served the congregations of Greater Elam Grove Baptist 14 Church in Mabank from 1973 to 1979 and Bethlehem Baptist Church in Bonham from 1979 to 1998, the year in which he assumed the pulpit of 15 East St. Paul Baptist Church in Fort Worth; under his leadership, 16 the members of East St. Paul have dedicated a new sanctuary and 17 converted their previous sanctuary into an educational facility; 18 19 and

20 WHEREAS, This dedicated clergyman currently serves his 21 colleagues as president of the Baptist Ministers Union of Fort 22 Worth and Vicinity, as an executive director of the Baptist General 23 Convention of Texas, and as a member of the convention's Baptist 24 Distinctives Committee; he sits on the Finance Committee of the

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1 Tarrant Baptist Association and is active in programs of the 2 American Association of Christian Counselors; and

3 WHEREAS, Reverend Wilson enjoys the love and support of his 4 wife, the former Betty Elliot, who serves at his side and 5 participates in myriad church endeavors; together the couple enjoy 6 spending time with their family, which includes five children and 7 nine grandchildren; and

8 WHEREAS, The Reverend L. S. Wilson is a source of wisdom and 9 inspiration to all who are privileged to know him, and it is a 10 pleasure to honor him for 75 years of life well lived; now, 11 therefore, be it

12 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 82nd Texas 13 Legislature hereby congratulate the Reverend L. S. Wilson on his 14 75th birthday and extend to him sincere best wishes for continued 15 happiness; and, be it further

16 RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be 17 prepared for Reverend Wilson 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. 787 was adopted by the House on March 17, 2011, by a non-record vote.

Chief Clerk of the House