By: Flynn

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RESOLUTION

1 WHEREAS, A 60th wedding anniversary marks a lifetime of 2 mutual devotion and shared experiences, and Bill and Lorena Dickard 3 of Van celebrated this joyous milestone in their marriage on 4 February 24, 2011; and

5 WHEREAS, Bill Dickard and the former Lorena Gentry were 6 joined in matrimony in 1951 at a ceremony held at First Baptist 7 Church in Kaufman; through the years, they have been blessed with a 8 treasured family that includes three children and their spouses, 9 Angela and Don English, Stanley and Nancy Dickard, and Eddie and 10 Tammy Dickard, as well as five grandchildren; and

11 WHEREAS, Longtime members of the Van community, Mr. and Mrs. 12 Dickard are both 1949 graduates of Van High School; Mr. Dickard worked for Union Oil Company for 38 years, before retiring in 1989; 13 14 Mrs. Dickard has been a dedicated homemaker throughout their marriage; they are active members of First Baptist Church and 15 volunteers at Mother Frances Hospital; in addition to their shared 16 love of travel, Mr. Dickard's interests include hunting, fishing, 17 golf, and football, while Mrs. Dickard takes pleasure in oil 18 painting and spending time with family and friends; and 19

20 WHEREAS, This esteemed couple have enjoyed six decades of 21 abiding love and affection for one another, and they are among an 22 exceptional group of men and women who can claim such a lasting 23 commitment; now, therefore, be it

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RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 82nd Texas

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1 Legislature hereby congratulate Bill and Lorena Dickard on their 2 60th wedding anniversary and extend to them sincere best wishes for 3 continued happiness; and, be it further

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4 RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be 5 prepared for Mr. and Mrs. Dickard as an expression of high regard by 6 the Texas House of Representatives.