RESOLUTION

1 WHEREAS, John Edward Carroll of Grand Prairie is celebrating

his 76th birthday on June 14, 2011, to the delight of his family and

3 friends; and

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WHEREAS, A fourth-generation Texan, Mr. Carroll is the son of

5 John James Carroll and Katie Jones Carroll, and he is descended from

6 James Wales Jones, a member of the original 300 families that

7 settled the Lone Star State; Mr. Jones and his brother, Randall,

8 were members of the first law enforcement militia, the precursor of

9 the Texas Rangers, and they were members of the Texas Army; and

10 WHEREAS, Given his notable ancestry and his birth on Flag

11 Day, Mr. Carroll was raised with an appreciation of history, and he

earned a bachelor's degree in that subject from The University of

13 Texas at Arlington before completing a master's degree in parks and

14 recreational management at East Texas State University; his love

15 for his Texas heritage led him to become a charter member of the

16 Descendents of Stephen F. Austin's Old Three Hundred, which he has

17 served as president, and this proud Texan also belongs to the

18 Descendents of Former Texas Rangers; and

19 WHEREAS, Learning how to make the jellies, jams, and pickles

his mother once made on the family farm in Kingsbury, Mr. Carroll

21 has won numerous ribbons through the years in the creative arts

22 competition at the State Fair of Texas; he continues to enjoy

23 exploring the Lone Star State as well, including "the birthplace of

24 Texas," Washington-on-the-Brazos, in celebration of the 175th

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- 1 anniversary of Texas independence; and
- WHEREAS, In all his endeavors, Mr. Carroll enjoys the love
- 3 and support of his wife of 50 years, Dr. Linda Sue Cole Carroll,
- 4 their children, Dr. Carl Bruce Carroll, Nanci Lynn Carroll, Sandra
- 5 Annette Carroll Luke, and Audrea Kaye Carroll Weimer, eight
- 6 grandchildren, and two great-grandchildren; surrounded by this
- 7 large admiring circle, he indeed has reason to celebrate; now,
- 8 therefore, be it
- 9 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 82nd Texas
- 10 Legislature hereby congratulate John Edward Carroll on his 76th
- 11 birthday and extend to him sincere best wishes for continued
- 12 happiness; and, be it further
- RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be
- 14 prepared for Mr. Carroll as an expression of high regard by the
- 15 Texas House of Representatives.

Parker

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Speaker of the House

I certify that H.R. No. 2566 was adopted by the House on May 30, 2011, by a non-record vote.

Chief Clerk of the House