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R E S O L U T I O N

1 WHEREAS, John Edward Carroll of Grand Prairie is celebrating
2 his 76th birthday on June 14, 2011, to the delight of his family and
3 friends; and

4 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
12 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
20 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

1 anniversary of Texas independence; and

2 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 James Carroll on his 76th
11 birthday and extend to him sincere best wishes for continued
12 happiness; and, be it further

13 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.