

R E S O L U T I O N

1           WHEREAS, An inspiring couple whose lives have been enhanced  
2 by a great and enduring love, John and Mary Crosby of Midland  
3 celebrated their 70th wedding anniversary on April 17, 2011; and

4           WHEREAS, John E. Crosby, Jr., and the former Mary Louise  
5 Davis met in Brownwood in 1941, and six weeks later they were united  
6 in matrimony; through the years, they have nurtured a fulfilling  
7 marriage that has been made even richer with the addition of 3  
8 children, John, Stephen, and Mary, as well as 5 grandchildren and 12  
9 great-grandchildren; and

10           WHEREAS, Respected members of their community for more than  
11 half a century, the couple owned and operated The Southwestern  
12 Company from 1972 until their retirement in 1989, and they have been  
13 valued congregants of First Baptist Church since settling in  
14 Midland; Mr. Crosby has also volunteered more than 13,700 hours at  
15 Allison Cancer Center and Midland Memorial Hospital, and he has  
16 been active in the Boy Scouts of America, through which he organized  
17 the Flag Retirement and God and Country event; Mrs. Crosby has  
18 served as treasurer of her Sunday school class and the Yucca Garden  
19 Club, and she has shared her time and delicious baked goods with  
20 patients at the hospital and cancer center; and

21           WHEREAS, While much has changed in the world over the past  
22 seven decades, this devoted husband and wife have remained constant  
23 in their commitment to one another, and the strength of their love  
24 has enabled them to meet life's challenges and opportunities with

1 grace and optimism; now, therefore, be it

2           RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 82nd Texas  
3 Legislature hereby honor John and Mary Crosby on their 70th wedding  
4 anniversary and extend to them sincere best wishes for continued  
5 happiness; and, be it further

6           RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be  
7 prepared for the couple as an expression of high regard by the Texas  
8 House of Representatives.

Craddick

H.R. No. 2708

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Speaker of the House

I certify that H.R. No. 2708 was adopted by the House on May 30, 2011, by a non-record vote.

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Chief Clerk of the House