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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.