

SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 3

WHEREAS, The Senate of the State of Texas is pleased to recognize Lafayette Bates Proffitt Jr. on the joyous occasion of his 100th birthday, which he celebrated June 10, 2013; and

WHEREAS, Lafayette Proffitt was born June 10, 1913, near Proffitt, Texas, in Young County; he graduated from Newcastle High School in 1931, where he played in the school's first football game and the first football game he had ever seen; he was a star athlete who also played basketball and ran track, and he excelled in his literature classes; and

WHEREAS, After working on a ranch in New Mexico, he returned to Newcastle, and on January 20, 1936, he married Velma Elizabeth Harlow; the couple was blessed with three children, 10 grandchildren, 20 great-grandchildren, and one great-great-grandchild; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Proffitt worked for 37 years as an employee of United Gas Pipeline in Olney and Pettus; he and his wife were avid sports fans and attended nearly every sporting event in Pettus; at the age of 99, Mr. Proffitt attended the Texas State Track Meet in Austin to watch his great-granddaughter participate; and

WHEREAS, He celebrated his 100th birthday with family and friends and is attending a community party in his honor on June 30 at the Pettus Methodist Church; and

WHEREAS, Throughout his life, he has been noted for his determination, his spirited and engaging personality, and his enthusiasm for living each day to the fullest; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That the Senate of the State of Texas, 83rd Legislature, 2nd Called Session, hereby recognize Lafayette Bates Proffitt Jr. as a treasured citizen of our state and extend to him congratulations on the grand occasion of his 100th birthday; and, be it further

RESOLVED, That a copy of this Resolution be prepared for him as an expression of esteem from the Texas Senate.

Zaffirini

President of the Senate

I hereby certify that the above Resolution was adopted by the Senate on July 9, 2013.

Secretary of the Senate

Member, Texas Senate