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RESOLUTION

1 WHEREAS, The life of Fred Lee Frazier, Sr., of Terrell, is a 2 source of enduring inspiration for all who have the good fortune to 3 know this esteemed centenarian; and

WHEREAS, The son of Monroe and Betty Frazier, Fred Frazier 4 5 was born near Terrell on May 10, 1910; one of eight children raised in a farming family, he grew up working the fields and taught 6 7 himself how to read and write; it was while picking cotton that Mr. Frazier met his future wife, Mamie, and they were married a year 8 9 later, in 1933; the couple raised five children and lived happily together for nearly seven decades, until Mrs. Frazier's passing in 10 11 2001; and

12 WHEREAS, Mr. Frazier entered the army in 1942 and served in 13 Alexandria, Louisiana, where he was trained in the medical corps; 14 following his discharge in 1945, he returned to farming before 15 going to work for Mr. and Mrs. James T. Bowers of Dallas; he managed 16 their busy household while their six children were small and became 17 a beloved member of the family, ultimately serving for more than 40 18 years before his retirement; and

WHEREAS, A longtime congregant of Bethlehem Baptist Church, Mr. Frazier served as a deacon and as president of the usher board; in his retirement, he has helped maintain the church as well as homes and yards in the surrounding neighborhood; today, when he is not helping others, he works in his own yard and enjoys relaxing in his front porch swing; and

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1 WHEREAS, This remarkable Texan has a great treasure trove of 2 stories, and by sharing his wonderfully detailed memories of times 3 gone by, he has opened windows to the past for younger generations; 4 his wisdom and experience have enriched the lives of countless 5 people, and he continues to be a shining example of kindness, 6 thoughtfulness, and devotion; now, therefore, be it

7 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 83rd Texas 8 Legislature hereby celebrate the life of 102-year-old Fred Lee 9 Frazier, Sr., and extend to him sincere best wishes for continued 10 happiness; and, be it further

11 RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be 12 prepared for Mr. Frazier as an expression of high regard by the 13 Texas House of Representatives.

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Speaker of the House

I certify that H.R. No. 119 was adopted by the House on February 18, 2013, by a non-record vote.

Chief Clerk of the House