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## RESOLUTION

- 1 WHEREAS, A 50th wedding anniversary marks a lifetime of
- 2 mutual devotion and shared experiences, and Russell and Linda Rau
- 3 of Eustace celebrated this joyous milestone in their marriage on
- 4 August 11, 2012; and
- 5 WHEREAS, After meeting at a Sadie Hawkins Day dance at the
- 6 State University College for Teachers at Buffalo in 1959, Mr. and
- 7 Mrs. Rau were joined in matrimony in 1962 at a ceremony held at
- 8 Kenmore United Methodist Church in Buffalo, New York; through the
- 9 years, they have been blessed with a treasured family that includes
- 10 two children and their spouses, Donald and his wife, Donna, and
- 11 Kristine and her husband, Stephen, as well as their grandchildren,
- 12 Erica, Marc, Scott, Shannon, Brandon, and Joshua, and their
- 13 great-grandchildren, Kelsy and Nora; and
- 14 WHEREAS, The couple lived for many years in upstate New York,
- 15 where Mr. Rau taught mechanical drawing and graphic arts at Medina
- 16 Senior High School for 32 years and Mrs. Rau taught kindergarten for
- 17 26 years; active members of their community, Mr. Rau served as a
- 18 councilman and town supervisor for the town of Ridgeway, as a
- 19 scoutmaster, and as a member of the Lee-Whedon Memorial Library
- 20 board, while Mrs. Rau volunteered at the library and performed with
- 21 the Sweet Adelines singing group; since retiring to Texas in 1995,
- 22 the couple have been active with Meals on Wheels, Habitat for
- 23 Humanity, and the Kiwanis Club of Cedar Creek Lake; and
- 24 WHEREAS, Mr. and Mrs. Rau have enjoyed five decades of

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- 1 abiding love and affection for each other, and they are among an
- 2 exceptional group of men and women who can claim such a lasting
- 3 commitment; now, therefore, be it
- 4 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 83rd Texas
- 5 Legislature hereby congratulate Russell and Linda Rau on their 50th
- 6 wedding anniversary and extend to them sincere best wishes for
- 7 continued happiness; and, be it further
- 8 RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be
- 9 prepared for Mr. and Mrs. Rau as an expression of high regard by the
- 10 Texas House of Representatives.

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Speaker of the House

I certify that H.R. No. 161 was adopted by the House on February 18, 2013, by a non-record vote.

Chief Clerk of the House