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## RESOLUTION

- 1 WHEREAS, The Panhandle Herald celebrated its 125th
- 2 anniversary in 2012; and
- 3 WHEREAS, The oldest newspaper in continuous operation in the
- 4 Texas Panhandle and one of the region's longest-surviving
- 5 businesses, the Herald published its first edition on July 22,
- 6 1887; the weekly publication was founded by Henry Harold Brookes,
- 7 an Englishman and a former Episcopal missionary, who had given up
- 8 his pastorate in Houston after discovering that he could reach a
- 9 wider audience as an editor than as a preacher; and
- 10 WHEREAS, After settling in the town of Panhandle, Mr. Brookes
- 11 built the Herald's original wooden press himself and initially
- 12 lived and worked out of a tent, despite the extremes of the local
- 13 climate; he was succeeded by a number of other proprietors during
- 14 the paper's first decades, among them Lee Satterwhite, a future
- 15 speaker of the Texas House of Representatives, John L. Nunn, a
- 16 utilities magnate as well as a newspaper owner, and David M. Warren,
- 17 a newspaperman who later served on The University of Texas Board of
- 18 Regents; and
- 19 WHEREAS, Today, the Herald is owned and published by Shaun
- 20 and Frank Wink, with Shaun also serving as editor in chief; now
- 21 available online as well as in a newsprint edition, the paper has
- 22 kept pace with the rapid changes in media technology, yet it
- 23 continues to fulfill its traditional mission of strengthening the
- 24 bonds of community through its dedicated coverage of news and

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- 1 upcoming events; and
- 2 WHEREAS, Local newspapers are a vital and valued part of
- 3 their readers' lives, and throughout a rich history that has
- 4 spanned more than 12 decades, the Panhandle Herald has done an
- 5 outstanding job of keeping the residents of Carson County informed
- 6 and enlightened; now, therefore, be it
- 7 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 83rd Texas
- 8 Legislature hereby commemorate the 125th anniversary of the
- 9 Panhandle Herald and extend to all those associated with this
- 10 venerable publication sincere best wishes for continued success;
- 11 and, be it further
- 12 RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be
- 13 prepared for the Panhandle Herald as an expression of high regard by
- 14 the Texas House of Representatives.

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Speaker of the House

I certify that H.R. No. 220 was adopted by the House on February 18, 2013, by a non-record vote.

Chief Clerk of the House