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H.R. No. 809

R E S O L U T I O N

1 WHEREAS, A 50th wedding anniversary marks a lifetime of
2 mutual devotion and shared experiences, and Donald and Patricia
3 Gatlin of Midland celebrated this joyous milestone in their
4 marriage on February 22, 2013; and

5 WHEREAS, Donald Gatlin and the former Patricia Stuckey met on
6 a blind date in Amarillo in 1962, and after their courtship they
7 were joined in matrimony in 1963; in 1980, they settled in Midland,
8 where they became active at First Baptist Church; and

9 WHEREAS, Over the course of their marriage, Mr. and
10 Mrs. Gatlin have found in each other a loving life partner, and they
11 count among their blessings a fine family that includes two
12 children as well as six grandchildren and two great-grandchildren;
13 and

14 WHEREAS, Mr. and Mrs. Gatlin have enjoyed five decades of
15 abiding love and affection for each other, and they are among an
16 exceptional group of men and women who can claim such a lasting
17 commitment; now, therefore, be it

18 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 83rd Texas
19 Legislature hereby congratulate Donald and Patricia Gatlin on their
20 golden wedding anniversary and extend to them sincere best wishes
21 for continued happiness; and, be it further

22 RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be
23 prepared for Mr. and Mrs. Gatlin as an expression of high regard by
24 the Texas House of Representatives.