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H.R. No. 901

R E S O L U T I O N

1 WHEREAS, A 60th wedding anniversary marks a lifetime of
2 mutual devotion and shared experiences, and Joseph and Bernice
3 Crudden of Cedar Creek Lake celebrated this joyous milestone in
4 their marriage on February 14, 2013; and

5 WHEREAS, Joe Crudden and the former Bernie Dwyer were joined
6 in matrimony on Valentine's Day in 1953 at a ceremony held in
7 Havertown, Pennsylvania; they have been blessed with a treasured
8 family that includes four children, Michael, Dennis, Colleen, and
9 Maureen, and eight grandchildren, Sarah, Anne, Patrick, Courtney
10 James, Maureen, Keenan, Killian, and Fiona; and

11 WHEREAS, Mr. Crudden graduated from Drexel University and
12 studied at the New York University Stern School of Business; a
13 veteran of the U.S. Army, he was honorably discharged in 1956 at the
14 rank of first lieutenant; he retired in 1989 from Forney
15 Engineering, where he held several senior positions, and he went on
16 to found a consulting firm; Mrs. Crudden attended Immaculata
17 College and majored in drama; she retired from British Petroleum in
18 the 1990s and later operated her own business as a wedding
19 consultant; and

20 WHEREAS, Over the years, Mr. and Mrs. Crudden have enjoyed a
21 variety of interests; they regularly traveled abroad when
22 Mr. Crudden managed overseas operations, and they continue to enjoy
23 visits to international destinations; Mrs. Crudden has had an
24 extensive acting career, performing in movies, TV commercials,

1 theatre productions, and one-woman shows; longtime residents of
2 Dallas, they have lived in Cedar Creek Lake since 2002 in a home
3 Mr. Crudden originally designed as a weekend getaway destination;
4 the couple hold memberships in various recreation, investment, and
5 community service groups and are valued members of the Mary Queen of
6 Heaven Catholic Church; and

7 WHEREAS, Mr. and Mrs. Crudden have enjoyed six decades of
8 abiding love and affection for each other, and they are among an
9 exceptional group of men and women who can claim such a lasting
10 commitment; now, therefore, be it

11 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 83rd Texas
12 Legislature hereby congratulate Joseph and Bernice Crudden on their
13 60th wedding anniversary and extend to them sincere best wishes for
14 continued happiness; and, be it further

15 RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be
16 prepared for Mr. and Mrs. Crudden as an expression of high regard
17 by the Texas House of Representatives.