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R E S O L U T I O N

1 WHEREAS, The 80th birthday of an esteemed Texan is indeed a
2 special occasion, and Joan Eleanor Turman of Austin marked this
3 significant milestone in her life on February 28, 2013; and

4 WHEREAS, Born in Rockford, Illinois, in 1933, the former Joan
5 Conn is the daughter of Darlene and Paul Conn; she spent her early
6 years in Illinois, and her family eventually moved to San
7 Francisco, California; and

8 WHEREAS, She met her first husband, U.S. Army Lieutenant
9 Albert J. Fern, Jr., at the Presidio military base near the Golden
10 Gate Bridge; they became the parents of four children, Susan, Paul,
11 Catherine, and Charlene, and she devoted herself to raising them
12 while taking on many responsibilities as an officer's wife at
13 military posts across the United States and Europe; and

14 WHEREAS, Following the end of her first marriage, she was
15 joined in matrimony to the Honorable James A. Turman, who served as
16 speaker of the Texas House of Representatives from 1961 to 1963;
17 they have shared a fulfilling relationship of more than three
18 decades; today, Mrs. Turman takes pride in a fine family that has
19 grown to include five grandchildren, Jennifer, John, Kara, Ashley,
20 and Elliot, and she continues to set an example of strong faith and
21 good humor; and

22 WHEREAS, Blessed with a host of loved ones, Joan Turman is a
23 source of joy and inspiration to all who have the great privilege of
24 knowing her and sharing in the richness of her life; now, therefore,

1 be it

2 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 83rd Texas
3 Legislature hereby congratulate Joan Eleanor Turman on her 80th
4 birthday and extend to her sincere best wishes for continued
5 happiness; and, be it further

6 RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be
7 prepared for Mrs. Turman as an expression of high regard by the
8 Texas House of Representatives.