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R E S O L U T I O N

1 WHEREAS, The 100th birthday of an esteemed Texan truly merits
2 special recognition, and Ross Mallette of Lake Fork marked this
3 notable milestone on January 6, 2013; and

4 WHEREAS, Born in 1913 in Nebraska, Mr. Mallette was raised on
5 farms there and in Minnesota and Iowa; in 1936, he married Helen
6 Overman, with whom he shared many happy years, and his family has
7 since grown to include children, grandchildren,
8 great-grandchildren, and great-great-grandchildren; and

9 WHEREAS, Up until World War II, Mr. Mallette managed three
10 Iowa farms and saw them through the Great Depression; he took up
11 welding during the war, repairing B-17 airplanes at the Sioux City
12 air base in Iowa, and later worked in a variety of occupations,
13 including welding, construction, sales, and school maintenance; he
14 retired in 1977; and

15 WHEREAS, Mr. Mallette resided in Arkansas for a time before
16 moving to Texas; since 2005, he has lived in Lake Fork with his
17 daughter and son-in-law, Carolyn and Cary Collins; and

18 WHEREAS, The wisdom and experience of centenarians are a
19 source of enduring inspiration, and it is indeed a pleasure to honor
20 Ross Mallette for having joined an elite group of Texans who can
21 claim 100 years of meaningful achievements and wonderful memories;
22 now, therefore, be it

23 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 83rd Texas
24 Legislature hereby congratulate Ross Mallette on his 100th birthday

1 and extend to him sincere best wishes for continued happiness; and,
2 be it further

3 RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be
4 prepared for Mr. Mallette as an expression of high regard by the
5 Texas House of Representatives.