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R E S O L U T I O N

1 WHEREAS, A 75th anniversary marks a lifetime of mutual
2 devotion and shared experiences, and J. B. and Edna Snead of Austin
3 celebrated this joyous milestone in their marriage on March 21,
4 2013; and

5 WHEREAS, When J. B. Snead, Jr., met the former Edna Redwine
6 at County Line School, he asked her older brother for permission to
7 escort her home; three years later, in 1938, the couple were joined
8 in matrimony in Fort Sumner, New Mexico; and

9 WHEREAS, The newlyweds began their married life during the
10 Great Depression, when Mr. Snead made 15 cents an hour working 10
11 hours a day, 6 days a week, while working his own 40-acre farm at the
12 same time; Mrs. Snead coped with a home that lacked electricity and
13 indoor plumbing; and

14 WHEREAS, Longtime residents of Lubbock, Mr. and Mrs. Snead
15 are now pillars of the Austin community, where they enjoy an
16 ever-widening circle of friends; and

17 WHEREAS, They are the proud parents of three children, Gene
18 Snead, Bettye Parker, and Carole Solanki, and over the years they
19 have been further blessed with 10 grandchildren, 22
20 great-grandchildren, and 7 great-great-grandchildren; among her
21 loved ones, Mrs. Snead is especially known for her Sunday
22 sandwiches, her frozen peaches, and her famous "hissing in the pit"
23 story; Mr. Snead takes pleasure in spending time with his
24 great-great-grandchildren, listening to their stories as he drives

1 them in his scooter, and even though he proclaims that he is "blind
2 in one eye and can't see out the other," he still regards his bride
3 with the same joy and admiration as he did on the day of their
4 wedding, three quarters of a century ago; and

5 WHEREAS, While much has changed in the world over the past 75
6 years, this devoted husband and wife have remained constant in
7 their commitment to each other, and the strength of their love has
8 enabled them to meet life's challenges and opportunities with grace
9 and optimism; now, therefore, be it

10 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 83rd Texas
11 Legislature hereby congratulate J. B. and Edna Snead on their 75th
12 wedding anniversary and extend to them sincere best wishes for
13 continued happiness; and, be it further

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