By: Dutton

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RESOLUTION

1 WHEREAS, January 10, 2013, marked the 50th wedding 2 anniversary of Shirley and Lester Howard, providing a fitting 3 opportunity to reflect on their memorable journey together as 4 husband and wife; and

5 WHEREAS, Mr. and Mrs. Howard met at a football game in 6 Shreveport, Louisiana, and were joined in matrimony in 1963; over 7 the years, they have been blessed with a treasured family that 8 includes two children, Lester D. Howard and Jacqueline Howard, as 9 well as five grandchildren and a great-grandchild; and

10 WHEREAS, Mr. Howard enjoyed a 34-year career with the City of 11 Houston, retiring as a deputy assistant director of public works 12 and engineering, and Mrs. Howard retired after 32 years as an 13 educator for the Houston Independent School District; both are 14 alumni of Grambling State University, and Mrs. Howard earned a 15 master's degree in education from Texas Southern University; and

16 WHEREAS, Respected members of their community, this devoted 17 pair are active at Bethany Baptist Church in Houston, where he is a 18 trustee and a deacon and she is a deaconess and a member of the 19 mission society; Mrs. Howard is further involved in the Alpha Kappa 20 Alpha Sorority, in which she has a lifetime membership; and

21 WHEREAS, The 50 years of marriage that Mr. and Mrs. Howard 22 have shared is eloquent affirmation of the meaning of love and 23 commitment, and their enduring union is an inspiration to all who 24 know them; now, therefore, be it

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1 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 83rd Texas 2 Legislature hereby congratulate Shirley and Lester Howard on their 3 golden wedding anniversary and extend to them sincere best wishes 4 for continued happiness; and, be it further

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