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R E S O L U T I O N

1 WHEREAS, A 50th wedding anniversary marks a lifetime of
2 mutual devotion and shared experiences, and Norman and Martha Wood
3 of Lake Jackson celebrated this joyous milestone in their marriage
4 on March 23, 2013; and

5 WHEREAS, Norman Royce Wood and the former Martha Sue Hutchins
6 were joined in matrimony in 1963; through the years, they have been
7 blessed with a treasured family that includes three children,
8 Colette Helmintoller and her husband, Sam, Richard Wood and his
9 wife, Amy, and Amanda Wood, as well as seven grandchildren, Shelby
10 Hollen and her husband, Chris, Dakota, Montana, Robert, and Brandon
11 Wood, and Sidney and Madison Helmintoller, and two
12 great-grandchildren, Aiden Guillen and Kaden Hollen; and

13 WHEREAS, Raised in Angleton, Mr. Wood served his country in
14 the U.S. Army from 1961 to 1964, attaining the rank of Sergeant E5;
15 he and Mrs. Wood, a native of Clute, spent their initial years of
16 marriage in Fort Hood, where Mr. Wood was stationed, but soon
17 returned to Brazoria County; and

18 WHEREAS, Mr. Wood worked as a machinist and a nursing home
19 administrator before becoming self-employed as the owner of a home
20 care supply company in 1978, while Mrs. Wood was a secretary, a
21 homemaker, and a food service worker before joining her husband as a
22 co-owner of the business; since retiring on July 1, 2000, the couple
23 have taken pleasure in touring America on their Honda Gold Wing as
24 part of a road riders association, playing golf, and working in

1 their garden; and

2 WHEREAS, In addition to meeting their work and family
3 responsibilities, they have been valued contributors to numerous
4 community organizations; Mr. Wood was a volunteer for Little League
5 and girls' softball and served for 20 years with the Lake Jackson
6 Volunteer Fire Department; he was a longtime member of the Boy
7 Scouts of America Bay Area Council, which he served as president,
8 and he is currently active in the Brazosport Rotary Club, the
9 Community Foundation of Brazoria County, and Crystal Crafters;
10 Mrs. Wood previously shared her time as a room mom and as a member
11 of both the Parent Teacher Organization at Elisabet Ney Elementary
12 and the Lake Jackson VFD Auxiliary; for the last quarter-century,
13 she has distinguished herself through her involvement with the
14 Brazosport Rotary Club Auxiliary; and

15 WHEREAS, Mr. and Mrs. Wood have enjoyed five decades of
16 abiding love and affection for each other, and they are among an
17 exceptional group of men and women who can claim such a lasting
18 commitment; now, therefore, be it

19 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 83rd Texas
20 Legislature hereby congratulate Norman and Martha Wood on their
21 golden wedding anniversary and extend to them sincere best wishes
22 for continued happiness; and, be it further

23 RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be
24 prepared for Mr. and Mrs. Wood as an expression of high regard by
25 the Texas House of Representatives.