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R E S O L U T I O N

1           WHEREAS, The 75th birthday of an esteemed Texan is truly  
2 cause for celebration, and Michael Donald Neely of Houston is  
3 reaching that impressive milestone on May 3, 2015; and

4           WHEREAS, Born in 1940 to George Neely and Cassie Lee  
5 Thomas-Neely, Michael Neely graduated from Phillis Wheatley High  
6 School in 1959; he served for four years with the United States  
7 Marine Corps Reserve and went on to study psychology at Texas  
8 Southern University; in 1963 and 1964, he was a Peace Corps  
9 volunteer in New York; he subsequently joined the Uncle Ben's  
10 Inc.-Mars Corporation and worked there for 25 years, retiring in  
11 1991 as a plant superintendent; and

12           WHEREAS, Throughout his life, Mr. Neely has been active as a  
13 community leader, serving as a precinct judge in northeast Houston  
14 and as a member of the Harris County Democratic Ballot Board and the  
15 Harris County Democratic Executive Committee; in addition, he was  
16 the class president of the Houston Police Department Citizens'  
17 Police Academy and first vice president of the Houston Citizens'  
18 Police Academy Alumni Association; he is also a 33rd degree Mason;  
19 and

20           WHEREAS, Mr. Neely married his high school sweetheart, Betty  
21 Finner, in 1964, and they have shared their lives together for half  
22 a century; he is the proud father of two children, Cedric Lee Neely  
23 and Michelle Denise Neely, and the doting grandfather of Neely  
24 Simone Foster; and

1           WHEREAS, Blessed with a devoted family and admiring friends,  
2 Michael Neely has long been a source of wisdom and inspiration to  
3 all who share in the richness of his life; now, therefore, be it

4           RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 84th Texas  
5 Legislature hereby congratulate Michael Donald Neely on his 75th  
6 birthday and extend to him sincere best wishes for continued  
7 happiness; and, be it further

8           RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be  
9 prepared for Mr. Neely as an expression of high regard by the Texas  
10 House of Representatives.