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R E S O L U T I O N

1           WHEREAS, The 90th birthday of an esteemed Texan is truly  
2 cause for celebration, and Jack Forrest of Mexia is marking this  
3 significant milestone in his life on March 2, 2019, to the delight  
4 of his family and friends; and

5           WHEREAS, Born in Mexia in 1929, Jack Forrest is a veteran of  
6 the U.S. Air Force, and he has earned the admiration of innumerable  
7 people through his contributions to Rotary International over the  
8 course of more than four decades; he joined the Rotary Club of Mexia  
9 in 1964 and became its president just three years later; after a  
10 term as district governor, he went on to hold positions of  
11 increasing responsibility, and from 1983 to 1985, he was a director  
12 of Rotary International; he subsequently served the organization in  
13 a host of key offices, and his efforts on the executive committee of  
14 the U.S. PolioPlus Campaign Committee garnered him recognition as a  
15 PolioPlus Pioneer; and

16           WHEREAS, For many years, Mr. Forrest was a member of the  
17 Nominating Committee for President of Rotary International and of  
18 the International Assembly Committee, and he served a term as  
19 moderator of the International Assembly; he chaired the Rotary  
20 Foundation Chairman's Advisory Committee from 2006 to 2009, and  
21 during that period, he was also chair of the Scholarship Fund Pool  
22 for Low-Income Countries Selection Committee, an aide to the chair  
23 of the Rotary Foundation trustees, and chair of the Nominating  
24 Committee for the President; and

1           WHEREAS, Mr. Forrest has been the owner of Womack Insurance  
2 and Realty Service for half a century; he has also been active in  
3 his community as president of the Mexia Area Chamber of Commerce,  
4 the Mexia Industrial Foundation, and the General Mexia Memorial  
5 Hospital board, and he has served as director of the Baylor Bear  
6 Foundation; in all his endeavors, he enjoys the love and support of  
7 his wife, Ina Beth Forrest, and their two children, Bobby and Nancy,  
8 and he takes great pride in his four grandchildren and six  
9 great-grandchildren; and

10           WHEREAS, Having earned the respect and affection of all who  
11 are fortunate enough to know him, Jack Forrest may reflect with  
12 pride on his accomplishments, and it is indeed a pleasure to join in  
13 honoring him on this special occasion; now, therefore, be it

14           RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 86th Texas  
15 Legislature hereby congratulate Jack Forrest on his 90th birthday  
16 and extend to him sincere best wishes for continued happiness; and,  
17 be it further

18           RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be  
19 prepared for Mr. Forrest as an expression of high regard by the  
20 Texas House of Representatives.