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R E S O L U T I O N

1   WHEREAS, A 65th wedding anniversary marks a lifetime of
2 mutual devotion and shared experiences, and James A. and Bennie
3 L. Frye Henry of Sulphur Springs celebrated this joyous milestone
4 in their marriage on April 9, 2019; and
5   WHEREAS, Jimmy Henry and the former Bennie Frye met while
6 attending Jacksonville Baptist College, and they were joined in
7 matrimony in 1954 at the campus's Chapel of the Old Main building;
8 over the years, they have been blessed with a treasured family that
9 includes their children, Debra Anne Shelton, Sherry Sue Hatcher,
10 John Mark Henry, and the late James Michael Henry, as well as 6
11 grandchildren,   17   great-grandchildren,   and   a
12 great-great-grandchild; and
13   WHEREAS, Over the past 67 years, Mr. Henry has led 12
14 churches as pastor, including Caney Baptist Church of Pickton for
15 the past two decades; he also served as executive director of the
16 Ministers Benefit Department in Texarkana, Arkansas, and as a
17 chaplain for Marketplace Chaplains USA, and he has written 25
18 published books and numerous articles for various religious
19 publications; Mrs. Henry served as a church secretary for many
20 years, and she has been an administrative assistant at the
21 Ministers Benefit Department; respected members of their
22 community, the couple retired to Sulphur Springs in 1998; and
23   WHEREAS, Mr. and Mrs. Henry have enjoyed six and a half
24 decades of abiding love and affection for each other, and they are

1 among an exceptional group of men and women who can claim such a

2 lasting commitment; now, therefore, be it

3   RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 86th Texas

4 Legislature hereby congratulate Jimmy and Bennie Henry on their

5 65th wedding anniversary and extend to them sincere best wishes for

6 continued happiness; and, be it further

7   RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be

8 prepared for the couple as an expression of high regard by the Texas

9 House of Representatives.