

R E S O L U T I O N

1 WHEREAS, Lynn and Michael Wright are celebrating 50 years of
2 marriage in 2019, and this joyous milestone provides a fitting
3 opportunity to reflect on their memorable journey together as
4 husband and wife; and

5 WHEREAS, Born in Riverside, Illinois, the former Mary Lynn
6 Snodgrass moved to Iowa as a child and graduated from Burlington
7 Community High School; she earned her bachelor's degree in lower
8 elementary education at the University of Northern Iowa and went on
9 to teach school in Iowa and Texas for a number of years, touching
10 the lives of many Texas students before retiring; and

11 WHEREAS, Michael Joseph Wright is a native of Mount Pleasant,
12 Iowa, and a graduate of Mount Pleasant Community High School; he
13 received his degree in history from the University of Northern Iowa
14 in 1969 and completed his studies at Rutgers University's Eagleton
15 Institute of Politics; after serving as a combat helicopter pilot
16 in the U.S. Army during the Vietnam War, he worked for Hoffmann-La
17 Roche, a multinational pharmaceutical company, for 37 years; he has
18 served as senior director of government affairs for the Texas
19 Pharmacy Association, as well as executive director for the Texas
20 Pharmacy Business Council; and

21 WHEREAS, Both husband and wife have actively fund-raised for
22 Dell Children's Medical Center of Central Texas in Austin and have
23 endowed two memorial scholarships at their alma mater; Mr. Wright
24 is also a founding member of the Texas Capitol Vietnam Veterans

1 Monument Committee, and he has variously served on the Dean's
2 Advisory Council for the University of Houston College of Pharmacy
3 and on the executive boards of such organizations as the National
4 Governors Association and the American Legislative Exchange
5 Council; and

6 WHEREAS, Mr. and Mrs. Wright's half-century-long union is
7 made all the more remarkable by the fact that they have exchanged
8 wedding vows twice; they first wed in 1969 and divorced after a
9 year, but the strength of their love soon led them to remarry; their
10 second marriage has lasted an extraordinary 49 years, providing
11 living proof of the words sung by Frank Sinatra, "Love is lovelier
12 the second time around"; the couple's lives have been further
13 enriched by their daughter, Nicole Lynn Wright; and

14 WHEREAS, The enduring union shared by Lynn and Michael Wright
15 is an inspiration to all who know them, and it is indeed a pleasure
16 to join in congratulating this esteemed couple as they commemorate
17 five decades as husband and wife; now, therefore, be it

18 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 86th Texas
19 Legislature hereby congratulate Lynn and Michael Wright on their
20 50th wedding anniversary and commend them for their many personal
21 and professional achievements; and, be it further

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

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H.R. No. 1698

Speaker of the House

I certify that H.R. No. 1698 was adopted by the House on May 24, 2019, by a non-record vote.

Chief Clerk of the House