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## RESOLUTION

1 WHEREAS, The 105th birthday of an esteemed Texan is truly 2 cause for celebration, and Stella Tobola of Rockwall marked this 3 joyous occasion on September 23, 2021; and

WHEREAS, Born to Vince Alois Fajkus and Anna Mary Fajkus in Flatonia in 1916, the former Stella Fajkus grew up in West; she worked daily on her family's farm, and she also helped make ends meet during the Great Depression by playing banjo and accordion and singing in a band with her four siblings, Charlie, Tom, Frank, and Evelyn; and

WHEREAS, At the age of 25, she married Adolph George Tobola, 10 and they settled in Dallas; the couple raised five children, 11 12 Margaret, Jerry, Gene, Joe, and Judy, and shared a fulfilling marriage until the passing of Mr. Tobola in 1986; a devout 13 14 Catholic, Mrs. Tobola was very active in her church, serving as a Eucharistic minister and collecting food to bring to parishioners 15 16 in need; after moving to Ennis, she began working at Minyard's Meat 17 Market, where she was employed for many years before her retirement; and 18

WHEREAS, Today, Mrs. Tobola is the treasured matriarch of her family, and she especially enjoys Christmas, when her loved ones can all gather together; she likes making kolaches and apple strudel, using skills her mother taught her when she was a little girl; and

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WHEREAS, Stella Tobola is a source of tremendous inspiration,

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1 and in sharing the experience gained through more than a century of 2 life well lived, she bestows a precious gift of wisdom that benefits 3 all who are fortunate enough to know her; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 87th Texas
Legislature, 3rd Called Session, hereby congratulate Stella Tobola
on her 105th birthday and extend to her sincere best wishes for
continued happiness; and, be it further

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

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