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8 CONGRATULATING MR. AND MRS. BOB BRYANT ON THEIR 50TH  
9 WEDDING ANNIVERSARY.

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11 WHEREAS, Barbara Harp, at age 15, and Bobby Gene  
12 "Bear Tracks" Bryant, at age 17, met at Glencoe High School  
13 and later married on January 25, 1960, a union that has lasted  
14 50 years; and

15 WHEREAS, among all their accomplishments, their  
16 family has remained the most important aspect of their lives;  
17 they have a son, a daughter, and six grandchildren; son, Bobby  
18 Gene Bryant, Jr., and his wife, Karen Morris Bryant, have two  
19 sons, Bobby Gene, III, and Patrick Boyd; daughter, Beverly Ann  
20 Bryant Colvin, and her husband, Jeff Colvin, have four  
21 children: Elizabeth Ann, Jeffery Dean, II, Laura LeighAnn, and  
22 Robert Bryan Dean; and

23 WHEREAS, as devout Christians, both Mr. and Mrs.  
24 Bryant have dedicated their personal and professional lives to  
25 serving God, family, friends, and community: Mr. Bryant as a  
26 professional firefighter, fire medic, owner of a fire  
27 equipment business, and as a professional photographer; Dr.

1 Bryant as a classroom teacher, college administrator, senior  
2 consultant to The University of Alabama at Birmingham School  
3 of Medicine, Center for Aging, adjunct professor for The  
4 University of Alabama, and author, national speaker,  
5 entrepreneur, political consultant, and counselor; and

6 WHEREAS, as business leaders in their community,  
7 they have owned and operated two newspapers, The Islander on  
8 Pensacola Beach in Florida and The Messenger in Gadsden,  
9 Alabama; they also own a mobile home park, a farm and a Data  
10 Imaging and Archiving Company; and

11 WHEREAS, both have dedicated their lives in service  
12 to the principles of the Democratic Party; Dr. Bryant was  
13 elected and attended seven national Democratic Conventions;  
14 she was elected secretary of the Alabama Delegation, has  
15 served on the State Democratic Executive Committee Board, and  
16 as cochair for the Fourth Congressional District; she is a  
17 political scientist and consultant who has helped many get  
18 elected to national, state, and local offices; both serve on  
19 the Etowah County Executive Committee; now therefore,

20 BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF  
21 THE LEGISLATURE OF ALABAMA, That, as they personify I  
22 Corinthians 13, "Faith, hope and love, the greatest of these  
23 being love," and for their devotion to each other as well as  
24 their caring, compassionate service to their family, friends,  
25 and community, Mr. and Mrs. Bob Bryant are heartily  
26 congratulated on their Golden Wedding Anniversary, and by copy  
27 of this resolution, best wishes are extended for the future.

