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RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, A man whose leadership and ability are unsurpassed in Texas legislative history, the Honorable W. S. Heatly, Jr., is celebrating his 57th Birthday today; and

WHEREAS, "Bill," as he is known in both the Lower and Upper Houses of the Legislature and by all his many friends, is one of the rare and truly dedicated individuals who prefers service to his state over any self-seeking enterprise: he has been a member of the House of Representatives since 1954 and is now serving his eighth term in the House and an unprecedented fifth term as chairman of the Appropriations Committee; he has also been a member of the Legislative Budget Board during all but one of his terms as a member of the House of Representatives; and

WHEREAS, So concerned is this outstanding legislator for the well-being of his state, the economic expenditure of public funds, that his stewardship of state revenues has made him the terror of department and agency heads seeking appropriations increases, the greatest hazard to be overcome by college and university officials in soliciting new programs and financing for their institutions; and

WHEREAS, Nevertheless, Bill Heatly is admired, respected, and, yes, loved, by those who feel the brunt of his gruff manner, the tightening of the purse strings he holds: he is esteemed like a parent who does what is best for the child--even if it hurts; and

WHEREAS, Engaged in the active practice of law in Paducah, this State Representative also owns an abstract company and engages

in extensive farming and ranching enterprises in both Cottle and Dickens counties; and

WHEREAS, He has been awarded plaques of recognition from the State Bar of Texas, the Texas Alcoholic Commission, the Vocational Agricultural Teachers Association, and the Easter Seal Society of Texas; in 1968 Howard Payne College paid Mr. Heatly its highest honor when he was awarded an Honorary Doctor of Laws Degree; he received the "Outstanding Alumnus" award of Dallas Baptist College and, during the Regular Session of the 61st Legislature, he was presented a plaque by the Appropriations Committee for his selfless and dedicated service to the people of Texas; and

WHEREAS, His many years in civic activity and service to the people of his state also include membership on the executive board of the Northwest Texas Area Boy Scouts; past president of the Lions Club; membership in Pythias Lodge; charter membership in the Paducah Chamber of Commerce Board of Directors; he is a 33rd Degree Scottish Rite Mason and a member of the First Christian Church of Paducah; he has served the church on the official board of elders and has been chairman of the church building committee; and

WHEREAS, So outstanding is the life of this distinguished member of the House of Representatives from Paducah that his birthday is but a wonderful opportunity for his numerous friends and fellow legislators to give public recognition to him and his many accomplishments; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 61st Legislature, 2nd Called Session, hereby express deep affection and sincere gratitude to W. S. "Bill" Heatly, Jr., for all that he has done for Texas and Texans; and, be it further

RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives wish for him a most happy 57th Birthday Anniversary, and that copies of this Resolution be prepared for Bill and his lovely wife, Jonnie, as a token of the esteem of his colleagues and as a memento of his 57th Birthday Celebration.

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Add names of all members

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Dorothy Hallman

Chief Clerk, House of Representatives

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HOUSE SIMPLE RESOLUTION

congratulating Honorable W. S. "Bill" Heatly, Jr. on his 57th Birthday.

DATE SEP 3 1969

READ AND ADOPTED
Dorothy Hallman
CHIEF CLERK
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

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