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SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 89

BY SENATOR SMITH

COMMENDATIONS. Commends Howard and Lillian Savoie upon the occasion of their seventy-fifth wedding anniversary.

1	A RESOLUTION
2	To commend Howard and Lillian Savoie upon the occasion of their seventy-fifth wedding
3	anniversary.
4	WHEREAS, Howard and Lillian Savoie, lifetime residents of the fishing village of
5	Bayou Gauche, in St. Charles Parish, will celebrate their seventy-fifth wedding anniversary
6	on July 2, 2021, a milestone that very few couples are blessed to celebrate; and
7	WHEREAS, Lillian Savoie, whose maiden name is Dufrene, grew up on Black
8	Prince Island in Bayou Gauche; she was one of eleven children; and
9	WHEREAS, Howard Savoie went to live with Lillian's grandparents following the
10	death of his mother when he was about ten years old; and
11	WHEREAS, Howard Savoie joined the United States Army where he served in the
12	4th Infantry, 70th Tank Battalion, and landed on Utah Beach on D-Day as a gunner in a
13	Sherman tank; he was honorably discharged from the Army and was awarded a Purple Heart
14	and a Bronze Star; and
15	WHEREAS, Howard, now ninety-seven years of age, said that when he returned
16	from service, he just knew that he wanted to marry Lillian, who is now ninety-two, so upon
17	his return, he asked her to marry him, and she said "yes"; and
18	WHEREAS, Howard worked at Simoneaux Ponds and the grain elevator and later

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was a fisherman and crabber; the Savoies made stuffed crabs to sell to individuals and to
Sal's Restaurant to support their family; and
WHEREAS, the Savoies raised their family in St. Charles Parish where they knew
their children were safe; they taught their children how to live off the land and to be
self-sufficient; they always had a huge backyard garden and would keep what they needed,
sell what they did not need, or trade for what they did not have; and
WHEREAS, Howard and Lillian Savoie have two children, four grandchildren, three
great-grandchildren, and one great-grandchild; and
WHEREAS, Howard and Lillian Savoie say their determination is the strength of
their relationship; Howard's advice to younger couples is, "Don't give up when it gets
difficult"; and
WHEREAS, despite experiencing some extremely difficult times that might break
any marriage, Howard and Lillian Savoie leaned on their unwavering faith in God and each
other; and
WHEREAS, Howard and Lillian Savoie are caring, loving, and giving to each other,
to their family and friends, to members of the community, and even to strangers; their
marriage is a model for ensuring a life long relationship and a testament to their hard work,
devotion, and faith.
THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Senate of the Legislature of Louisiana
does hereby commend and congratulate Howard and Lillian Savoie upon the occasion of
their seventy-fifth wedding anniversary.
BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a copy of this Resolution be transmitted to
Howard and Lillian Savoie.

The original instrument and the following digest, which constitutes no part of the legislative instrument, were prepared by Sharon F. Lyles.

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