

SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 118

WHEREAS, The Senate of the State of Texas is pleased to recognize Bill Hodge, who won the 50 through 54 age division of men's racquetball at the 2003 Summer National Senior Games, which were held June 2-6, 2003, in Hampton Roads, Virginia; and

WHEREAS, Bill overcame a tendon injury that had sidelined him for more than seven months to become one of the top six preliminary-round players at the national games; he finished 4-1 in a round-robin-formatted gold-medal round and then defeated a California player to take the national racquetball title; and

WHEREAS, An athlete since his youth, Bill was an outstanding football and baseball player during his high school days and set career records as a wide receiver at Trinity University; and

WHEREAS, He learned to play racquetball in college and became expert at the sport, eventually winning four doubles championships with a different partner each time; and

WHEREAS, Bill is an outstanding athlete and a highly skilled racquetball player, and he has earned the respect and admiration of his fellow competitors; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That the Senate of the State of Texas, 78th Legislature, 1st Called Session, hereby commend Bill Hodge on his exceptional athletic ability and extend congratulations to him on his victory at the 2003 Summer National Senior Games; and, be it further

RESOLVED, That a copy of this Resolution be prepared for him as an expression of esteem from the Texas Senate.

Nelson

President of the Senate

I hereby certify that the above Resolution was adopted by the Senate on July 24, 2003.

Secretary of the Senate

Member, Texas Senate