

R E S O L U T I O N

1 WHEREAS, The wedding anniversary of two outstanding Texans
2 who have shared 55 happy and fulfilling years of marriage is truly a
3 memorable occasion; Starr County residents Mario and Minerva
4 Guillen have celebrated a long and happy union; and

5 WHEREAS, Mario S. Guillen and the former Minerva Hinojosa
6 exchanged their wedding vows on May 30, 1948, at a ceremony held at
7 the Sacred Heart Church in Delmita, Texas; Mr. Guillen, a graduate
8 of Rio Grande City High, was a member of the United States Army and
9 served in one of two major theaters of war, the European Theater of
10 Operations, and completed tours of duty in Africa, France, and
11 Italy; he also established a career with the Texas Highway
12 Department and was also a lifelong hardworking rancher; Mrs.
13 Guillen, a graduate of Texas A&I University, achieved her own
14 personal success as an elementary school teacher in Rio Grande
15 City, where she was highly esteemed by peers, parents, and pupils
16 alike, and together the Guillens built a happy home for their son,
17 Mario A. Guillen; and

18 WHEREAS, This devoted couple have resided together in their
19 home in Rio Grande City for 51 years and are dedicated members of
20 the Immaculate Conception Church; they both take great pride in
21 their family, which includes two grandchildren, Kimberly Guillen
22 and Ryan Guillen, who serves in the 78th Texas Legislature's House
23 of Representatives; and

24 WHEREAS, Active and energetic in their retirement, Mr. and

1 Mrs. Guillen enjoy their time together, spending days at the ranch
2 and quiet afternoons in their garden; their marriage has been
3 enriched by cherished family memories and many joyful times; and

4 WHEREAS, Since becoming husband and wife 55 years ago, this
5 devout couple have enjoyed an enduring relationship that has grown
6 in love and mutual respect with each passing year, and they remain a
7 source of delight and inspiration to the friends with whom they have
8 shared the richness of their life together; now, therefore, be it

9 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 78th Texas
10 Legislature, 3rd Called Session, hereby congratulate Mario and
11 Minerva Guillen of Rio Grande City on the occasion of their 55th
12 anniversary and extend to them best wishes for much happiness in the
13 years to come; and, be it further

14 RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be
15 prepared for Mr. and Mrs. Guillen as an expression of high regard by
16 the Texas House of Representatives.

Guillen

H.R. No. 219

Speaker of the House

I certify that H.R. No. 219 was adopted by the House on
October 2, 2003, by a non-record vote.

Chief Clerk of the House