

SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 486

WHEREAS, April 10, 2003, marks the 50th wedding anniversary of Juan S. and Maria Elisa Rodriguez of Edinburg, and this milestone is most deserving of special recognition; and

WHEREAS, Before the couple's marriage, Mr. Rodriguez served valiantly in the United States military during World War II, earning numerous service awards, including a Purple Heart, a Bronze Star, and an Oak Leaf Cluster; he was wounded in battle in Germany in March 1945 and received an honorable discharge on July 31, 1950; and

WHEREAS, Mr. and Mrs. Rodriguez were wed at Sacred Heart Church in Edinburg in 1953, and over the years, their family has grown to include five sons and four daughters, as well as 21 cherished grandchildren and one great-grandchild; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Rodriguez worked at the city's water plant until his retirement in 1989, while Mrs. Rodriguez has been a devoted homemaker throughout the couple's marriage; and

WHEREAS, Still active members of the church where they were wed, this loving couple have demonstrated a deep commitment to one another, to their family, and to the institution of marriage, and it is a pleasure to join in honoring them at this time; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That the Senate of the State of Texas, 78th Legislature, hereby congratulate Juan and Maria Rodriguez on the joyous occasion of their golden wedding anniversary and extend to them sincere best wishes for continued happiness; and, be it further

RESOLVED, That an official copy of this Resolution be prepared for Mr. and Mrs. Rodriguez as an expression of high regard by the Texas Senate.

Hinojosa

President of the Senate

I hereby certify that the above Resolution was adopted by the Senate on April 10, 2003.

Secretary of the Senate

Member, Texas Senate