

SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 99

WHEREAS, The Senate of the State of Texas is pleased to recognize Gilberto Borja on the grand occasion of his 90th birthday; and

WHEREAS, Gilberto Borja was born February 2, 1923, in Brownsville; a 1941 graduate of Brownsville High School, he enlisted in the United States Army Air Corps and served during World War II at Moore Field in Mission; and

WHEREAS, He married Lillian Longoria in 1944, and the couple enjoyed more than four decades of life together, raising three daughters; he married Emma Elizondo in 1987, and they moved to Austin in 2012 to be near their children; he has been blessed with five grandchildren and 11 great-grandchildren; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Borja worked for the United States Postal Service for 36 years, rising to the position of director of postal operations and retiring as an assistant postmaster; he was affiliated with the Valley Federal Credit Union for more than 60 years and served on its board of directors; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Borja is a devout Catholic who practices his faith in his daily life; through the years, he has served the Diocese of Brownsville and Saint Mary's Catholic Church with devotion and passion; he has been active in the Serra Club and served as its president and governor, and he and his wife provided a Eucharistic service and communion to residents of the Spanish Meadows Nursing Home for more than 20 years; and

WHEREAS, A respected and admired member of his community, he is noted for his courage, his compassion for others, and his enthusiasm for living each day to the fullest; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That the Senate of the State of Texas, 83rd Legislature, hereby commend Gilberto Borja on his many outstanding achievements and extend to him best wishes for a memorable 90th birthday celebration; and, be it further

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

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President of the Senate

I hereby certify that the above Resolution was adopted by the Senate on January 30, 2013.

Secretary of the Senate

Member, Texas Senate