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IN THE COUNTY LEGISLATURE OF JACKSON COUNTY, MISSOURI

A RESOLUTION acknowledging Margarito (Mickey) Rodriguez as an honorable member of the greatest generation who selflessly fought to protect and defend our country during World War II.

RESOLUTION # 15174, September 27, 2004

INTRODUCED BY Robert A. Stringfield, County Legislator

WHEREAS, Margarito (Mickey) was born February 2, 1922, in Kansas City, Kansas, to Santiago and Sevra Rodriguez; and,

WHEREAS, Margarito married Juanita Hernandez on October 6, 1942, and they enjoyed 58 years of marriage prior to Juanita's death at the age of 74 in the year 2000; and

WHEREAS, together Margarito and Juanita had 9 children, Belinda, Mona, Margarete, Anna, Michael, John Joe, Robert, Ray, and Paul, twenty two grandchildren and many great grandchildren; and,

WHEREAS, Margarito came to Kansas City, MO, in 1954 with his family after the devastating flood in Armourdale, Kansas City, Kansas, and worked 43 years at Swift Packing House as a butcher until his retirement in 1985; and,

WHEREAS, in a honorable act of patriotism during World War II under the command of General

Douglas MacArthur, PFC Rodriguez entered the Pacific Theater January 28, 1944 fighting the Japanese in the Northern Solomons and Luzon, Philippines; and,

WHEREAS, Margarito received the Asiatic Pacific Service medal, Philippine Liberation ribbon, World War II Victory medal and the Purple Heart symbolizing the valiant efforts and sacrifice freeing the world with unconditional surrender of Japan on September 2, 1945;and

WHEREAS, Margarito had to his credit loyal and unquestioned service performing duties in extreme and difficult conditions with an unfailing commitment and dedication to the preservation of the American way of life despite hardships and the increased possibility of loss of life faced each day by our gallant soldiers fighting for freedom, now therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED by the County Legislature of Jackson County, Missouri, that the Legislature extends sincere appreciation for the patriotism displayed by Margarito Rodriguez and others known now as the greatest generation as they fought to protect and defend our country during World War II.

Effective Date: This Resolution shall be effective immediately upon its passage by a majority of the Legislature.

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

Acting Chief Deputy County Counselor

County Counselor

Certificate of Passage

I hereby certify that the attached resolution, Resolution # 15174 of September 27, 2004, was duly passed on _____ September 27 _____, 2004 by the Jackson County Legislature. The votes thereon were as follows:

Yeas _____8_____ Nays _____0_____

Abstaining _____0_____ Absent _____1_____

Date _____

Mary Jo Spino, Clerk of Legislature