**14704, Dagmar Bocchi**

Good Evening Ladies and Gentlemen,

We want to thank all of you for coming together with Bob and I to celebrate our 50th anniversary. This is a momentous occasion for us and we are so thrilled to have every one of you here to celebrate this special day with us.

For the last 50 years Bob and I have shared a great life together. During that time we have learned and grown in so many ways. We have experienced huge successes along with our share of failures but we always came out the experiences successful because we stood together through it all. The joys were sweeter and the challenges were easier to bear because we were together.

Bob was dedicated and supportive for all of those years. No matter what we were experiencing he I could depend upon him. He is a rare man who is kind, compassion. He is generous to those around him. If you are in need you count on him to help you. Last but not least, Bob has a unique and wonderful sense of humor.

We also have the shared joy of raising our two children together. We both adore our children. Raising children brings with it unique challenges along with the celebrations along the way. Bob has shown himself to be a great parent. He set a terrific example for them in his work ethic as well as his relationships with people. Bob has been a natural teacher, letting his actions speak louder than his words.

Over the years we had many opportunities to travel together both for personal and professional reasons and Bob has always been a tremendous travel companion. There was never a dull moment. Whether we travelled to a traditional tourist spot with lots of travel amenities, whether we went to the middle of the forest or whether we decided to do a staycation and enjoy our home life without the interruptions of everyday life, Bob kept things lively and interesting.

When you have been married as long as Bob and I have been, you have experienced a myriad of ups and downs. You might think there are no more surprises left, but I can assure you that life lived to the fullest and spent with someone who you love and respect makes every day a new adventure. Even if you experiences things that appear similar to what you experienced in your youth, you will find that with life experience those same experiences are richer and have more meaning.

As much as we love each other, I can tell you that our lives would not be complete without our children and our dearest friends. Our lives have been enriched by the influence of each and every one of you in our lives. Please stand now and join us in a toast for this most memorable anniversary.

To the love of my life, may we share a long and happy life

To the friends in our life, may we share rich and continued friendships

Thank you everyone for making the last 50 years the absolute best.