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**CONGRATULATIONS: Llewellyn and Cecilia Jenniker, who have been dating for at least 30 years, tied the knot at the Culemborg Safe Space yesterday.**

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# Homeless couple marry after 30 years

A MAGICAL ceremony at Culemborg Safe Space proved dreams of the homeless can come true, as a loving couple of 30 years were finally able to tie the knot, having spent their entire relationship living on the streets.

Newlyweds Llewellyn, 45, and Cecilia, 42, Jenniker have experienced the entirety of Cape Town's hardship together.

Beginning their relationship at an age where many young people contend with nosy parents and curfews,

## Peter Thomas

they battled the cold nights and hunger while also devoting time to growing as a couple.

Speaking after signing the official papers, the blushing bride spoke fondly of how her beloved arranged the wedding plans.

"I was so surprised because he actually just went and talked here (at the Culemborg Safe Space) without me knowing, and then they called

me in and told me that 'there's a big surprise for you'."

The couple, who have a 12-year-old son, are staying at the Safe Space, which officially opened its doors about a month ago. Though they expect to stay in the shelter for the time being, both want to take up opportunities which arise through Cape Town's successful Expanded Public Works Programme, providing hope for the couple to access permanent accommodation in future.