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LEGISLATIVE RESOLUTION congratulating Mr. and Mr. Douglas J. O'Neill upon the occasion of their 50th Wedding Anniversary

WHEREAS, Douglas J. O'Neill and Marie LeClair were united in marriage on September 15, 1962, at St. Catherine's of Sienna Church in Franklin Square, New York; and

WHEREAS, Upon return from their honeymoon in Niagara Falls, New York, Mr. and Mrs. Douglas J. O'Neill bought a home in West Hempstead, New York, where they raised their family, and still reside today; and

WHEREAS, They are the proud parents of three children, Douglas William, Barbara Marie and Brian Henry, and the caring in-laws to Lisa Baxter O'Neill and Bonnie Allers-O'Neill, as well as the proud grandparents of four grandchildren, Kyle Patrick, Ian Douglas, Kory James and Kraig Ryan; and

WHEREAS, Mr. and Mrs. Douglas J. O'Neill are and always have been a tower of strength, support, understanding and limitless love for their family; and

WHEREAS, Their love, devotion, caring, sensitivity and responsiveness to their family, friends and all who know them are their hallmark and tradition; and

WHEREAS, Active members of their church, St. Thomas the Apostle Parish, and their community, Mr. and Mrs. Douglas J. O'Neill have lived and continue to live their lives with great dignity and genuine grace, always demonstrating a deep and continuing concern for human values and ideals, and in so doing, they have inspired others to do the same; and

WHEREAS, Since retirement, Marie O'Neill volunteers at Winthrop Hospital, and when not attending his grandsons baseball games, Doug O'Neill serves as an usher at his church and is an active member of the Knights of Columbus; and

WHEREAS, This meaningful occasion is the result of the love, hard work and spirit that this couple has invested in their marriage; and

WHEREAS, These same values they have passed to their loved ones, producing a family that is close-knit and supportive of its individual members, public-minded in its relations to the community and committed

to the ideals of citizenship upon which this Nation was founded; and WHEREAS, Mr. and Mrs. Douglas J. O'Neill have touched the lives of their family and many friends through the shining example of their marriage, which is a testament to the devotion and admiration which they possess for one another; and

WHEREAS, The longevity of this enduring marriage truly marks a milestone in life's journey, an event of personal triumph and joy; and

WHEREAS, It is the sense of this Legislative Body that when an occasion of such importance is brought to our attention, the same should be memorialized by us for the edification and emulation of others; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That this Legislative Body pause in its deliberations to congratulate Mr. and Mrs. Douglas J. O'Neill upon the occasion of their 50th Wedding Anniversary; and be it further

RESOLVED, That a copy of this Resolution, suitably engrossed, be transmitted to Mr. and Mrs. Douglas J. O'Neill.