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LEGISLATIVE RESOLUTION congratulating Mr. and Mrs. Henry Bernatowicz upon the occasion of their 50th Wedding Anniversary

WHEREAS, Mr. and Mrs. Henry Bernatowicz of Montgomery, New York were united in marriage on April 2, 1961; 50 years later, on April 2, 2011, they joyously celebrated their 50th Wedding Anniversary surrounded by their family and friends, including the members of their bridal party, at a party hosted by their children and grandchildren at the Meadowbrook Lodge in New Windsor where they had their wedding reception 50 years ago; and

WHEREAS, They are the proud parents of Joseph and his wife Sandra, Vincent and his wife Kathie, and Lynn and her husband Jeff Roosa, and are the loving grandparents of nine cherished grandchildren, Rachel, Elizabeth, Jonathan, Sarah, Chris, Julie, Sarah, Gregory and Jessica; and

WHEREAS, Henry Bernatowicz is a retired senior Air Force Master Sergeant and is also retired from Cellular One; also retired, Filomena Bernatowicz taught in the Montgomery area at the Berea and Montgomery Elementary Schools in the Valley (Montgomery) Central School District; and

WHEREAS, Filomena and Henry Bernatowicz 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, Filomena and Henry Bernatowicz 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, 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, Filomena and Henry Bernatowicz 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. Henry Bernatowicz 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. Henry Bernatowicz.