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LEGISLATIVE RESOLUTION congratulating Mr. and Mrs. Robert Thornton upon the occasion of celebrating their 60th Wedding Anniversary

WHEREAS, Helen Young and Robert Thornton were united in marriage on September 12, 1952, at the Spragueville Methodist Church with the Reverend Rollo D. Pierce officiating; and

WHEREAS, The bride is the daughter of the late George and Dorothy Young and the stepdaughter of the late Lewis Love and the groom the son of the late Anias, Sr. and Margaret Thornton; and

WHEREAS, Mr. and Mrs. Thornton celebrated their 60th Wedding Anniversary with a party held in their honor at their daughter's home in Toronto, Ontario on September 12, 2012, and later with a family dinner at The Pine Cone in Wanakena; and

WHEREAS, Robert Thornton attended Richville High School, and served his country as a member of the United States Army during the Korean War from 1951 to 1953; and

WHEREAS, Robert Thornton retired from the Newton Falls Paper Mill Company in 1991; and

WHEREAS, Helen Thornton graduated from Antwerp High School in 1952, and worked at the Grant's and Kinney Drugs in Gouverneur before becoming a homemaker; and

WHEREAS, Mr. and Mrs. Thornton are the proud parents of five children, Debra, Robert D., Diane, Donna and Richard, and the loving grandparents of 14 grandchildren and eight greatgrandchildren; and

WHEREAS, Mr. and Mrs. Robert Thornton 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, Mr. and Mrs. Robert Thornton 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, They have passed these same values 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. Robert Thornton 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. Robert Thornton upon the occasion of celebrating their 60th Wedding Anniversary; and be it further

RESOLVED, That a copy of this Resolution, suitably engrossed, be transmitted to Mr. and Mrs. Robert Thornton.