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LEGISLATIVE RESOLUTION congratulating Mr. and Mrs. John Callanan McDonald upon the occasion of celebrating their 50th Wedding Anniversary

WHEREAS, John Callanan McDonald and Anne Evelyn Burleigh were united in marriage on August 20, 1964, at St. Mary's Church in Ticonderoga, New York; and

WHEREAS, A 1952 graduate of Dartmouth College, John Callanan McDonald honorably served in the United States Marine Corps during the Korean Conflict; following his time with the Marines, he graduated from Albany Law School in 1972; and

WHEREAS, Upon his graduation, John Callanan McDonald was appointed Essex County District Attorney, the esteemed position he held for 21 years; in addition, he serves as the President of the Black Watch Memorial Library, as well as President of the Ausable Chasm Company; and

WHEREAS, Anne Evelyn McDonald graduated from Russell Sage College in 1958; she served Essex County in the Social Services Department before becoming a teacher at Ticonderoga Central School; and

WHEREAS, An active member within her community, Anne Evelyn McDonald is on the Boards of Fort Ticonderoga, Ticonderoga Heritage Museum and North Country Community College; and

WHEREAS, Mr. and Mrs. John Callanan McDonald are the proud parents of three children, Mary Pat, John (Andrea) and Bridget (Donald), and have four beautiful grandchildren, Elisabeth, Rudd, Meg and Anna; and

WHEREAS, Mr. and Mrs. John Callanan McDonald 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. John Callanan McDonald 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, Mr. and Mrs. John Callanan McDonald 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. John Callanan McDonald upon the occasion of celebrating their 50th Wedding Anniversary; and be it further

RESOLVED, That a copy of this Resolution, suitably engrossed, be transmitted to Mr. and Mrs. John Callanan McDonald.