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LEGISLATIVE RESOLUTION congratulating Mr. and Mrs. Paul Wartko upon the occasion of celebrating their 55th Wedding Anniversary

WHEREAS, Paul Wartko and the former Mary McMahon were united in marriage on January 7, 1961, at St. Margaret's Catholic Church in Buffalo, New York; the couple celebrated this momentous occasion with a liturgy at St. John the Baptist Ukrainian Catholic Church in Tonawanda; and

WHEREAS, They are the proud parents of five children and have nine grandchildren as well as two great-grandchildren; and

WHEREAS, Mr. and Mrs. Paul Wartko are and always have been a tower of strength, support, understanding and limitless love for their family; and

WHEREAS, Paul Wartko is a retired fire equipment operator for Chevrolet Motor Plant in Tonawanda, and Mary is a retired teacher and reading specialist for the Buffalo Public Schools; 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. Paul Wartko 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 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. Paul Wartko 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. Paul Wartko upon the occasion of celebrating their 55th Wedding Anniversary; and be it further

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