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LEGISLATIVE RESOLUTION congratulating Dr. and Mrs. Damiano Buffa upon the occasion of celebrating their 50th Wedding Anniversary

WHEREAS, Damiano and Helen Buffa were united in marriage on April 23, 1966; the couple will celebrate their 50th Wedding Anniversary at a party held in their honor in May of 2016; and

WHEREAS, In 1964, Damiano (Dom) Buffa met Helen while they were both working at Kings County Hospital in Brooklyn; after their wedding and the birth of their first child, Damiano proudly served his country as a Captain in the United States Air Force; and

WHEREAS, The family spent their next two years in Great Falls, Montana; in 1970, they returned to New York, where Dr. Damiano Buffa began his esteemed medical career with Suffolk Obstetrics and Gynecology in Port Jefferson; and

WHEREAS, For more than four decades, Dr. Damiano Buffa practiced medicine in both Port Jefferson and Patchogue, New York; and WHEREAS, Helen Buffa proudly raised and nurtured her children and spent many hours serving her church and community; and WHEREAS, They are the proud parents of two children, Rosemary (Xavier) and Peter (Meaghan), and the proud grandparents of five grandchildren, Xavier Quinn, Matthew, Olivia, McKenna and James; and WHEREAS, Dr. and Mrs. Damiano Buffa 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, Dr. and Mrs. Damiano Buffa 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, Dr. and Mrs. Damiano Buffa 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 Dr. and Mrs. Damiano Buffa 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 Dr. and Mrs. Damiano Buffa.