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Senate Resolution No. 3965

BY: Senator LARKIN

CONGRATULATING Mr. and Mrs. Douglas Edwards Sr.
upon the occasion of celebrating their 70th Wedding
Anniversary

WHEREAS, This Legislative Body takes great pleasure in paying
tribute to those flourishing marriages that have stood the test of time
to serve as a paradigm for present and future generations; and

WHEREAS, It is the sense of this Legislative Body to congratulate
Mr. and Mrs. Douglas Edwards Sr. upon the occasion of their 70th Wedding
Anniversary; the couple celebrated their Platinum Anniversary with a
party held in their honor at Gus' Restaurant with many family members
and friends in attendance; they continued the festivities on Sunday,
January 21, 2018, with coffee and cake with their church family, and
friends from Trinity Church Thrift Shop; and

WHEREAS, Douglas Edwards Sr. and the former Ruth Powles were united
in marriage on January 18, 1948; one year later, they moved into
Algonquin/DuPont Park on Waring Road in Newburgh, New York; and

WHEREAS, They are the proud parents of two children, Douglas Edwards
Jr. and Bonnie Fekishazy, and the loving grandparents of seven
grandchildren, and several great-grandchildren; and

WHEREAS, Douglas Edwards Sr. is a retired Terminal Manager for local
trucking companies and was a Charter Member of the Winona Lake Fire
Department; Ruth Edwards sold cosmetics and is retired from West Point
Military Academy where she worked as a Clerical Administrative
Assistant; and

WHEREAS, Today, Ruth Edwards enjoys volunteering at the Trinity Church Thrift Shop where she loves to visit with the customers; Douglas Edwards Sr. happily serves as his wife's chauffeur; and

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

WHEREAS, Their devotion, caring, sensitivity and responsiveness to their family, friends and all who know them are their hallmark and tradition; and

WHEREAS, Mr. and Mrs. Douglas Edwards Sr. 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. Douglas Edwards Sr. 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 practice 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. Douglas Edwards Sr. upon the occasion of celebrating their 70th Wedding Anniversary; and be it further

RESOLVED, That a copy of this Resolution, suitably engrossed, be transmitted to Mr. and Mrs. Douglas Edwards Sr.