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Senate Resolution No. 5451

BY: Senator RITCHIE

CONGRATULATING Mr. and Mrs. James Keohane upon the occasion of celebrating their 60th Wedding Anniversary

WHEREAS, James A. Keohane and Helen Bandyck were united in marriage on April 26, 1958, in St. Peter's Catholic Church in Lowville, New York; the couple celebrated their 60th Wedding Anniversary with a family dinner at Cavallario's Cucino in Watertown, New York; and

WHEREAS, They are the proud parents of five children, Ronald, Peter, John, Timothy and Mary, and the loving grandparents of 13 grandchildren; and

WHEREAS, James A. Keohane served in the Army in Korea as a military policeman from 1953 to 1955; and

WHEREAS, He was a New York State Trooper for 21 years and also worked for the Niagara Mohawk Power Corporation for 12 years; in retirement, he enjoys gardening, hunting, trout fishing and reading; and

WHEREAS, Helen Keohane graduated from Central City Business Institute in Syracuse and worked as a medical secretary at the College of Medicine in Syracuse, a homemaker, and for 12 years, as a bookkeeper at Holy Family Church; and

WHEREAS, She is an avid tennis player and started a girls tennis team at Immaculate Heart Central School where she coached for many years; she also enjoys visiting the sick, playing duplicate bridge, oil painting, golf, and reading; and

WHEREAS, Mr. and Mrs. James Keohane are both active in their parish at Holy Family Church; and

WHEREAS, Mr. and Mrs. James Keohane 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. James Keohane 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. James Keohane 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. James Keohane 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. James Keohane.