LEGISLATIVE RESOLUTION congratulating Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Michael Flavin upon the occasion of celebrating their 50th Wedding Anniversary

WHEREAS, Thomas Michael Flavin and Elfriede Erika Glasner were united in marriage on March 8, 1963, in the Munich City Hall in Munich, Germany; and

WHEREAS, Thomas Michael and Elfriede Flavin will celebrate their 50th Anniversary with a spring or summer trip; and

WHEREAS, Thomas "Mike" Flavin is the son of the late Thomas M. and Thelma Pharoah Flavin, and Elfriede Flavin is the daughter of the late Karl and Johanna Herrmann Glasner; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Flavin graduated from Watertown High School and served in the United States Army Reserves, retiring with the rank of Sergeant 1st Class, and remains a member of American Legion Post 61; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Flavin worked for Frink Snow Plows in Clayton, New York and the Miller Brewery in Fulton, New York; he also served as civilian administrator at the Leso-Leano Army Reserve Center in Watertown, before retiring in 2002; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Flavin enjoys reading, writing science fiction novels, and spending time at his cottage on Griffin's Bay; and

WHEREAS, Mrs. Flavin graduated from German Grammar School and completed a three year apprenticeship as a weaver, working at Chesebrough-Ponds and Stature Electric Company in Watertown until her retirement; and

WHEREAS, Mrs. Flavin is currently a part-time teacher's aide for the Watertown City School District, and takes pride in her home; she also enjoys trips to local casinos and visiting with family and friends; and

WHEREAS, Mr. and Mrs. Flavin are the proud parents of three children, Michael, Erika and Angela, and the loving grandparents of four grand-children; and

WHEREAS, Mr. and Mrs. Flavin 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. Flavin 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. Thomas Michael Flavin 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. Thomas Michael Flavin 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. Thomas Michael Flavin.