LEGISLATIVE RESOLUTION congratulating Mr. and Mrs. Nelson Bessette upon the occasion of celebrating their 60th Wedding Anniversary

WHEREAS, Nelson Bessette and Rogene Coughlin were united in marriage on December 6, 1952, in St. Mary's Rectory with Assistant Pastor The Reverend George Whittaker officiating; and

WHEREAS, Mr. and Mrs. Nelson Bessette are the proud parents of eight children, Susanne, Thomas, Nancy, Timothy, Milton, Rosemary, Jorja and the late Roger, and the loving grandparents of 19 grandchildren and 20 great-grandchildren; and

WHEREAS, Nelson Bessette is the son of the late J. Bert and Nora Bessette, and Rogene Bessette is the daughter of the late George and Irene Coughlin; and

WHEREAS, Nelson Bessette graduated from Canton High School in 1944, and was employed for 24 years as a truck driver, delivering milk for the Queensboro Farm Plant; and

WHEREAS, Rogene Bessette graduated from Knox High School in 1949, and then from Canton Agricultural and Technological College; she was employed with Lott H. Wells and with St. Lawrence County, retiring in 1993; and

WHEREAS, Mr. and Mrs. Nelson Bessette also owned and operated a dairy farm until 1986; and

WHEREAS, Mr. and Mrs. Bessette 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. Bessette 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. Nelson Bessette 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. Nelson Bessette 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. Nelson Bessette.