

LEGISLATIVE RESOLUTION congratulating Mr. and Mrs. William H. McGarry, III, upon the occasion of celebrating their 70th Wedding Anniversary

WHEREAS, William McGarry and Margaret Kirkland were united in marriage on March 18, 1943, at St. Patrick's Church in Watertown, New York, with the Reverend Eugene A. Kelly officiating; and

WHEREAS, Mr. and Mrs. McGarry celebrated their 70th Wedding Anniversary with a dinner held in their honor with family and friends at the Olive Garden in Watertown, on March 18, 2013; and

WHEREAS, Mr. and Mrs. McGarry are the proud parents of one son, the late James McGarry, and the loving grandparents of one grandson, the late James "Jamie" McGarry; and

WHEREAS, William H. McGarry, III is the son of the late William II and Geraldine McGarry, and Margaret Kirkland is the daughter of the late Everett and Sarah Kelly Kirkland; and

WHEREAS, In 1942, William McGarry graduated from Watertown High School, and then served his country as a member of the United States Army from 1943 to 1946; and

WHEREAS, During World War II, William McGarry served with the 299th Combat Engineers, and was awarded a Bronze Star; and

WHEREAS, William McGarry worked in numerous jobs throughout his life, including employment with the railroad, the post office, and in the broadcasting business, as well as with Bradley Hardware in the sporting goods department, from which he retired in 1984 after 33 years of distinguished service; and

WHEREAS, William McGarry is a member of Palisades Hunting Club and the Sacket's Harbor Sportsmen's Club who enjoys trapshooting and photography; and

WHEREAS, Margaret McGarry graduated from Watertown High School in 1943, and retired from the New York Telephone Company in 1987; and

WHEREAS, Margaret McGarry enjoys needlework, knitting and reading; and

WHEREAS, Together, Mr. and Mrs. McGarry enjoy hunting and fishing; and

WHEREAS, Mr. and Mrs. McGarry are and always have been a tower of strength, support, understanding and limitless love for their family and friends; 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. McGarry 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, 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. William H. McGarry, III 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. William H. McGarry, III 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. William H. McGarry, III.