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

WHEREAS, Jack Smith and Shirley Planty were united in marriage on October 1, 1955, and are longtime residents of Canton, New York; the couple celebrated their 60th Wedding Anniversary with a family dinner at The Lobster House in Norwood, New York; and

WHEREAS, Mr. and Mrs. Jack Smith are the proud parents of six children, Erwin, Michael, David, James, Debra and Nicole, and the loving grandparents of 17 grandchildren and 10 great-grandchildren; and

WHEREAS, Jack Smith served his country as a member of the United States Marine Corps from 1951 to 1954, and is a retired heavy equipment operator; and

WHEREAS, Shirley Smith retired from the United Helpers Nursing Home in 1996; and

WHEREAS, Mr. and Mrs. Jack Smith 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. Jack Smith 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. Jack Smith 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. Jack Smith 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. Jack Smith.