Senate Resolution No. 175

BY: Senator RITCHIE

CONGRATULATING Mr. and Mrs. Richard C. Williams upon the occasion of celebrating their 60th Wedding Anniversary

WHEREAS, Richard C. Williams and Barbara E. McAnulty were united in marriage on July 29, 1956, at Smithville Baptist Church; the couple celebrated their 60th Wedding Anniversary with an Open House held in their honor and hosted by their children; and

WHEREAS, Richard C. Williams served his country for four years as a submarine electronics repairman in the United States Navy aboard the USS Orion; and

WHEREAS, He also worked as a business machine serviceman and salesman before retiring from Fort Drum in 1995 where he was employed as a civilian electrician and repairman; and

WHEREAS, Barbara E. Williams retired from the New York Telephone Company in 1991 after 25 years as a sales and service representative; and

WHEREAS, Mr. and Mrs. Richard C. Williams are active members of the Stone Presbyterian Church in Watertown, New York; and

WHEREAS, They are the proud parents of two children, Terry and Valerie, and the loving grandparents of five grandchildren and eight great-grandchildren; and

WHEREAS, Mr. and Mrs. Richard C. Williams 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. Richard C. Williams 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. Richard C. Williams 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. Richard C. Williams 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. Richard C. Williams.