LEGISLATIVE RESOLUTION congratulating The Reverend Dr. Eugene and Evangelist Myrtle L. Jones upon the occasion of celebrating their 50th Wedding Anniversary

WHEREAS, The Reverend Dr. Eugene and the former Evangelist Myrtle L. Hill were united in marriage on November 25, 1961; a banquet was held in their honor at the Villa Borghese in Wappingers Falls, New York, hosted by the Hollingsworth Memorial Church of Nyack on Saturday, December 3, 2011; and

WHEREAS, They are the proud parents of seven children, fifteen grand-children, and four great-grandchildren; and

WHEREAS, Born in Marlboro, New York, Evangelist Jones serves as the First Lady and Church Administrator of the Hollingsworth Memorial Church; Dr. Eugene Jones was born in Delray Beach, Florida, and is retired from IBM and Ford Motor Companies; he currently serves as the Pastor of the Hollingsworth Memorial Church; and

WHEREAS, The Reverend Dr. Eugene and Evangelist Myrtle L. Jones 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, The Reverend Dr. Eugene and Evangelist Myrtle L. Jones 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 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, The Reverend Dr. Eugene and Evangelist Myrtle L. Jones 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 The Reverend Dr. Eugene and Evangelist Myrtle L. Jones upon the occasion of their 50th Wedding Anniversary; and be it further

RESOLVED, That a copy of this Resolution, suitably engrossed, be transmitted to The Reverend Dr. Eugene and Evangelist Myrtle L. Jones.