

BY: Senator GRIFFO

CONGRATULATING Howard and Patricia Gleasman upon the occasion of celebrating their 60th Wedding Anniversary

WHEREAS, This Legislative Body takes great pleasure in paying tribute to flourishing marriages that have stood the test of time and serve as a paradigm for present and future generations; and

WHEREAS, It is the sense of this Legislative Body to congratulate Howard and Patricia Gleasman upon the occasion of celebrating their 60th Wedding Anniversary on Thursday, November 21, 2024; and

WHEREAS, Howard Gleasman married Patricia Frey at the First Presbyterian Church in Boonville, New York; the couple were blessed with three children, Susan, Jason, and Deborah; and

WHEREAS, Howard Gleasman was a representative and manager for Eastman Kodak and 3M Products in the Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, area; Patricia Gleasman was a former editor of the "Boonville Herald" and operated a photography studio while in New Jersey; together, the couple established the "Delaware Ten Pins" newspaper; when the couple decided to move back to Boonville, they started the "North Country Pictorial" newspaper; and

WHEREAS, Howard Gleasman loved building all of his life so he and Patricia started Tall Pines Properties, Inc., which catered to Adirondack-style homes and summer cabins; Howard enjoyed using his backhoe to landscape the properties and design the driveways with his signature use of large boulders; and

WHEREAS, As Howard and Patricia Gleasman grew older, they decided to slow down so they built two seasonal rentals and established a busy Airbnb business; they still enjoy meeting new people from the United States and around the world and run the Airbnbs with the help of their daughter, Susan Whitehead; and

WHEREAS, Through the years, Howard and Patricia Gleasman enjoyed the growth of their family, welcoming grandchildren, Zachary and Rachael Whitehead and Gunnar, Axel, Thor, Bode, and Nash Gleasman, who are all involved in playing sports; their late daughter, Deborah, has been "watching over the family from Heaven"; and

WHEREAS, Howard and Patricia Gleasman enjoy traveling, walking, hiking, and keeping up with their children and grandchildren; Howard is a lifelong deer and elk hunter and loves to fish; he still enjoys working with his backhoe and doing rock work on his properties; and

WHEREAS, Although Howard and Patricia Gleasman are no longer young, they follow the words of Norman Vincent Peale, "Live your life, and forget your age," and they also believe in doing everything in

moderation; and

WHEREAS, The love, devotion, and caring Howard and Patricia Gleasman have shown to their family, friends, and all who know them are their hallmark and tradition; this meaningful occasion is the result of the love, hard work, and spirit they have invested in their happy marriage; and

WHEREAS, Howard and Patricia Gleasman 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; they are, and always have been, a tower of strength, support, understanding, and limitless love for their family and friends; and

WHEREAS, Howard and Patricia Gleasman have touched the lives of their family and many friends through the shining example of their marriage which is a testament to their devotion and admiration for each other; 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 Howard and Patricia Gleasman 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 Howard and Patricia Gleasman.