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LEGISLATIVE RESOLUTION congratulating Mr. and Mrs. Donald Whitmore upon the occasion of celebrating their 70th Wedding Anniversary

WHEREAS, Donald Whitmore and Doris Putman were united in marriage on June 29, 1944, at the home of the bride's parents; the couple celebrated their 70th Anniversary on June 29, 2014, with family and close friends at Samaritan Summit Village; and

WHEREAS, Donald Whitmore graduated from Antwerp High School in 1940, and attended business school in Watertown, New York; in 1977, he received his training as a Nurse's Aide; and

WHEREAS, Donald Whitmore operated a farm for 33 years, and worked for 10 years at the House of the Good Samaritan Hospital, as well as the Natural Dam Paper Mill; and

WHEREAS, Doris Whitmore graduated from Antwerp High School in 1942, and helped on the family farm; she also made wedding cakes for 15 years and raised the couple's family; and

WHEREAS, Mr. and Mrs. Donald Whitmore are the proud parents of five children, Scott, Gina, Diane, Barbara and Margaret; and the loving grandparents of 11 grandchildren, as well as 11 great-grand children; the Whitmores were also the loving parents of numerous foster children; and

WHEREAS, Mr. and Mrs. Donald Whitmore 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. Donald Whitmore 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. Donald Whitmore 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. Donald Whitmore 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. Donald Whitmore.