

## 2015-J36

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

WHEREAS, James Shelmidine and Christine Allison were united in marriage on September 4, 1954, at the Concordia Lutheran Church in Watertown, New York; and

WHEREAS, James Shelmidine graduated from Adams High School and the Letourneau Technical Institute in Longview, Texas; he served his country as a member of the United States Air Force for four years, which included a two year tour in Japan and Korea; and

WHEREAS, James Shelmidine worked for Plumpton's Chevrolet and Palmer's Motors in Watertown, and as a self-employed auto-mechanic; and

WHEREAS, James Shelmidine is a charter member of the Lorraine Volunteer Fire Department, and enjoys reading and traveling; and

WHEREAS, Christine Shelmidine also graduated from Adams High School, and later graduated from the Watertown School of Commerce; and

WHEREAS, Christine Shelmidine worked for a number of businesses in Watertown and Adams, New York, and enjoys crocheting, painting and traveling; and

WHEREAS, Mr. and Mrs. James Shelmidine are active members of the Lorraine United Methodist Church, and for many years both served as Sunday school teachers; and

WHEREAS, Mr. and Mrs. James Shelmidine are the proud parents of two children, Mark and Michele, and the loving grandparents of two grandchildren; and

WHEREAS, Mr. and Mrs. James Shelmidine 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. James Shelmidine 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, James and Christine Shelmidine 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. James Shelmidine 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. James Shelmidine.