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LEGISLATIVE RESOLUTION congratulating Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Franche upon the occasion of celebrating their 50th Wedding Anniversary

WHEREAS, Joseph Franche and Elizabeth Shannon were united in marriage on July 4, 1964, at St. Mary's Cathedral; and

WHEREAS, Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Franche celebrated their 50th Anniversary on July 5, 2014, with family and friends at the Bella-Brooke Winery in Hammond, New York; and

WHEREAS, They are the proud parents of two beautiful daughters, Kathleen and Kolleen; and

WHEREAS, Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Franche 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, Joseph Franche worked for the Ogdensburg City School District and Elizabeth Franche was employed by the St. Lawrence Psychiatric Center, before their retirements; and

WHEREAS, Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Franche have enjoyed traveling across the United States and are members of the Independent Order of Odd Fellows, the Eureka Rebekah Lodge in Ogdensburg and St. Raphael Church in Heuvelton; and

WHEREAS, Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Franche 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. Joseph Franche 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. Joseph Franche upon the occasion of celebrating their 50th Wedding Anniversary; and be it further RESOLVED, That a copy of this Resolution, suitably engrossed, be transmitted to Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Franche.