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Senate Resolution No. 2862

BY: Senator RITCHIE

CONGRATULATING Mr. and Mrs. William D. Taylor upon the occasion of celebrating their 65th Wedding Anniversary

WHEREAS, William D. Taylor and Bernice Brown of Watertown, New York, were united in marriage on June 14, 1952, at the First Congregational Church in Grafton, Massachusetts; and

WHEREAS, They celebrated their 65th Anniversary with a family gathering held in their honor at the home of their son, James, in Jamesville, New York on June 10, 2017; and

WHEREAS, William D. Taylor served his country as a member of the United States Air Force and later earned his bachelor's degree from Springfield College; and

WHEREAS, He worked at several YMCAs throughout the country, and served as Executive Director of the Watertown YMCA as well as the Business Manager for the Southern Cayuga Central School District; and

WHEREAS, Bernice Taylor, also earned her bachelor's degree from Springfield College and earned her master's degree from Alfred University; and WHEREAS, She served as Coordinator for the Watertown home-centered preschool, and Special Subjects Coordinator for Greenwood Central School; and

WHEREAS, Mr. and Mrs. William D. Taylor are the proud parents of two sons, Andrew and James, and the loving grandparents of four grandchildren and two great-grandchildren; and

WHEREAS, Mr. and Mrs. William D. Taylor 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. William D. Taylor 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. William D. Taylor 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. William D. Taylor upon the occasion of celebrating their 65th Wedding Anniversary; and be it further

RESOLVED, That a copy of this Resolution, suitably engrossed, be transmitted to Mr. and Mrs. William D. Taylor.