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Senate Resolution No. 3232

BY: Senator JACOBS

CONGRATULATING Mr. and Mrs. William Kirkland upon the occasion of celebrating their 50th Wedding Anniversary

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

WHEREAS, It is the sense of this Legislative Body to congratulate Mr. and Mrs. William Kirkland upon the occasion of their 50th Wedding Anniversary; the couple observed their Golden Anniversary with a dinner celebration held in their honor at Lucia's on the Lake in Hamburg, New York; and

WHEREAS, William Kirkland and the former Christine Vander-Meer were united in marriage on June 3, 1967, at St. Aloysius Roman Catholic Church in Springville, New York; they are the proud parents of one child; and

WHEREAS, William Kirkland retired from both Bethlehem Steel, where he was employed as an electrical lineman, and Frontier Central School District, where he worked as a laborer; Christine Kirkland was employed as a medical secretary for Dr. George Barrios of Buffalo Medical Group, and retired as a secretary for the Erie County Probation Department; and

WHEREAS, Mr. and Mrs. William Kirkland are and always have been a tower of strength, support, understanding and limitless love for their family; and

WHEREAS, Their 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 Kirkland 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 this couple has invested in their marriage; and

WHEREAS, These same values they have passed 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 Kirkland 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 practice 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 Kirkland 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. William Kirkland.