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Senate Resolution No. 3306

BY: Senator RITCHIE

CONGRATULATING Mr. and Mrs. Paul K. Gates, Jr.  
upon the occasion of celebrating their 60th Wedding  
Anniversary

WHEREAS, Paul and Grace Gates were united in marriage on April 27,  
1957, at St. James Church in Gouverneur, New York, where they still  
reside; and

WHEREAS, They celebrated their 60th Anniversary with a party held in  
their honor at their home in Gouverneur; and

WHEREAS, They are the proud parents of four children, Debbie, Scott,  
Marc and Chris, and the loving grandparents of five grandchildren and  
nine great-grandchildren; and

WHEREAS, Mr. and Mrs. Paul Gates 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. Paul Gates 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. Paul Gates 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. Paul K. Gates, Jr. 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. Paul K. Gates, Jr.