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Senate Resolution No. 217

BY: Senator GRIFFO

CONGRATULATING Mr. and Mrs. James Taylor 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. James Taylor upon the occasion of their 50th Wedding Anniversary; the couple celebrated their Golden Anniversary with a party held in their honor on Saturday, September 15, 2018, with many family members and friends in attendance; and

WHEREAS, James Taylor and the former Bonnie Keller were united in marriage on September 21, 1968, at St. Mary's Church in Rome, New York; and

WHEREAS, They are the proud parents of four children, James Jr. (Joy), Robert, Donald (Jennifer) and Jason (Jessica); and the loving grandparents of eight grandchildren, Alex, Jeromy, Josh, Kaitlyn, Lucy, Henry, Josephine and Mallory; and one great-grandson, Jacob; James and Bonnie Taylor enjoy spending time with their cherished family at their camp in Alexandria Bay, New York; and WHEREAS, James Taylor is retired from Revere Copper Products where he worked as a furnace operator for 43 years; Bonnie Taylor served as a Leased Housing Assistant with Rome Housing Authority for 26 years; and

WHEREAS, Mr. and Mrs. James Taylor 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. James 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 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. James 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 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. James Taylor 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. James Taylor.