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

WHEREAS, Julie McCrea and Lewis Sprague were united in marriage on October 13, 1962, at the Church of Our Lady of the Sacred Heart, in Watertown, New York, with the Reverend Joseph Francoeur officiating; and WHEREAS, Julie and Lewis Sprague celebrated by renewing their wedding vows at the church in which they were married; and WHEREAS, The bride is the daughter of the late Robert and Virginia

McCrea, and the groom, the son of the late Lewis and Grace Sprague; and WHEREAS, Lewis Sprague graduated from Watertown High School and served in the United States Army from 1958 to 1960; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Sprague worked in the construction industry for more than 30 years, and retired after 16 years with the Grenadier Construction Corporation in Watertown; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Sprague is an avid New York Yankee fan and enjoys woodworking; and

WHEREAS, Mrs. Sprague also graduated from Watertown High School and retired from Fort Drum Medical Department in 2000; and

WHEREAS, In addition, Mrs. Sprague worked for the Carthage Central School District and is an active member of the Red Hat Club who enjoys gardening, knitting and crocheting; and

WHEREAS, Mr. and Mrs. Lewis Sprague are the parents of two daughters, Lisa Perusquia and Jayme Reustle, and a son, Robert, as well as six grandchildren; and

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

WHEREAS, The 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. Lewis Sprague 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, 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. Lewis Sprague 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. Lewis Sprague 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. Lewis Sprague.