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HOUSE RESOLUTION

2           WHEREAS, The institution of marriage is one of the  
3 cornerstones upon which our society is built, and a marriage  
4 that has achieved a notable longevity is truly a model for the  
5 people of the State of Illinois; and

6           WHEREAS, It has come to the attention of members of the  
7 Illinois House of Representatives that Reverend and Mrs. Henry  
8 Nicholson of East St. Louis are celebrating their fiftieth  
9 wedding anniversary this year; and

10           WHEREAS, Henry and Evelyn Nicholson were married on July  
11 27, 1957; they serve the Truelight Baptist Church in East St.  
12 Louis and are the proud parents of Scarlet, Octavia, and  
13 Corrin, and the proud grandparents of Chancellor; and

14           WHEREAS, The Nicholson's are both graduates of Lincoln  
15 Senior High School in East St. Louis; Reverend Nicholson  
16 received a Bachelor of Arts degree from American Baptist  
17 College and a Divinity degree from Eden Theological Seminary;  
18 Evelyn Nicholson attended St. Louis University and graduated  
19 from Southern Illinois University-Edwardsville with a Bachelor  
20 of Arts degree in Sociology and a Master of Arts degree in  
21 Counseling Education; and

1           WHEREAS, The respect for marriage reaches one of its  
2 highest plateaus when a couple such as Reverend Henry and  
3 Evelyn Nicholson celebrate their golden wedding anniversary;  
4 and

5           WHEREAS, Reverend Henry and Evelyn Nicholson stand as  
6 examples of the best of our society, and their love and  
7 devotion to each other and to their family and friends serve as  
8 a reminder to all that hard work, dedication, and love can make  
9 a difference in today's world; therefore, be it

10           RESOLVED, BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE  
11 NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that we  
12 congratulate Reverend Henry and Evelyn Nicholson on the  
13 occasion of their fiftieth wedding anniversary; that we commend  
14 them for achieving a long and happy marriage, blessed with  
15 children and grandchildren, and rich in friendships; and that  
16 we wish them happiness and good health in the future; and be it  
17 further

18           RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be  
19 presented to Reverend Henry and Evelyn Nicholson as an  
20 expression of our respect and esteem.