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LEGISLATIVE RESOLUTION congratulating William Mason upon the occasion of celebrating his 100th Birthday on February 6, 2013

WHEREAS, Senior citizens bring a wealth of experience and knowledge to the increasingly active roles they play in today's society; their past contributions and future participation are a vital part of, and valuable asset to, the fabric of community life and activity; and WHEREAS, This Legislative Body is justly proud to congratulate William Mason upon the occasion of celebrating his 100th Birthday; and WHEREAS, William Mason of Fulton, New York, was born on February 6, 1913; and

WHEREAS, A Fulton native, who currently resides in Oswego, New York, William Mason is retired from Black Clawson where he was a purchasing manager; and

WHEREAS, Affectionately known as "Willie", this remarkable centenarian attributes his longevity to enjoying the happy things in life; and WHEREAS, William Mason is known for always having a smile to share with everyone he meets, and enjoys daily walks and socializing with his friends; and

WHEREAS, This distinguished man, who has experienced the incredible joys and sorrows characteristic of and reserved for those with the stamina and courage to savor a full life, has inspired the lives of his many friends and family; and

WHEREAS, This beloved man has enriched the lives of those around him through his joyous and sincere love for others and through the quiescent charm and wisdom which comes only from a fullness of years; and WHEREAS, It is the intent of this Legislative Body to publicly recognize those who have reached such a remarkable age and who have witnessed and celebrated the innovations, cultural developments and awesome achievements of this country during the last century, while themselves contributing to the growth and excellence of this great Empire State; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That this Legislative Body pause in its deliberations to congratulate William Mason upon the occasion of his 100th Birthday; and

be it further RESOLVED, That a copy of this Resolution, suitably engrossed, be transmitted to William Mason.