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LEGISLATIVE RESOLUTION congratulating Jane Lostumbo upon the occasion of celebrating her 100th Birthday

WHEREAS, It is the sense of this great Empire State to recognize those individuals who have made a lasting impression on their communities, and whose lives have been filled with many remarkable experiences and with many individuals who love and respect them; and

WHEREAS, Attendant to such concern, and in full accord with long-standing traditions, this Legislative Body is justly proud to hereby congratulate Jane Lostumbo upon the occasion of celebrating her 100th Birthday; and

WHEREAS, Jane Lostumbo was born on August 26, 1912, to Alexander and Jennie Pasquale; and

WHEREAS, Raised in Syracuse, New York, Jane Lostumbo had nine siblings: Samuel, Lucy, Mary, Joseph, Alex, Angie, Margaret, Michael, and Rosemary; and

WHEREAS, Jane Lostumbo, who attended Salina School and Grant School as a child, started working in Jacob Shapiro Pants Factory at the young age of 13; she worked her way up to "floor lady" by age 16 and then to the company's payroll department; she later worked at the Remington Rand Typewriter Company and for Bristol Meyers; and

WHEREAS, Jane Lostumbo married the love of her life, Joseph Lostumbo, on June 27, 1931, at Our Lady of Pompei Church in Syracuse, New York; the couple enjoyed 39 years of marriage until Joseph passed away in 1970; and

WHEREAS, Jane and Joseph Lostumbo successfully owned and operated Lostumbo Oil Company for 25 years; Jane also served as treasurer of the family's full-service gas station on Crouse Avenue that catered to the troops during World War II; during that time, Jane became a trailblazer by being one of the first women in the Syracuse area to wear trousers; and

WHEREAS, Together, Jane and Joseph Lostumbo had three wonderful children, Francis Lostumbo, Ginnie Lostumbo, and Jean Lostumbo Radley; today, Jane is the loving grandmother of four grandchildren and six

great-grandchildren; and

WHEREAS, During her full and accomplished life, Jane Lostumbo dedicated countless hours to community volunteerism; she served as President of St. Peter's Altar Society for 50 years, devoted her time and talents to St. Joseph Hospital's annual wine tasting event, and provided local seniors with support through the group Contact; she currently serves as Treasurer of the Young at Heart Senior Group; and

WHEREAS, Devoted to her Italian heritage, Jane Lostumbo, along with her supportive family, was instrumental in creating the first Italian Festival held at the New York State Fairgrounds, as well as organizing the first floats and volunteers from St. Peter's Church for the Columbus Day Parade; and

WHEREAS, Jane Lostumbo also volunteered her time at Syracuse's Festa Italiana selling raffle tickets for 15 consecutive years, while always lending her positive energy and dedication to various festivities; she continues to be an active supporter of the annual event; and

WHEREAS, For the past 100 years, Jane Lostumbo has witnessed countless events, innovations and achievements in this country, while personally contributing to the progression and excellence of this great Empire State and forever enriching the lives of those around her; and

WHEREAS, Jane Lostumbo, who is described by her family and friends as an extremely loving, caring and hard-working person, has made a difference in countless lives; she has credited her longevity to positive

thinking, perseverance and to an outstanding circle of family and friends; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That this Legislative Body pause in its deliberations to hereby honor and recognize Jane Lostumbo for a lifetime of accomplishments, upon the occasion of her 100th Birthday; and be it further

RESOLVED, That a copy of this Resolution, suitably engrossed, be transmitted to Jane Lostumbo.