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LEGISLATIVE RESOLUTION congratulating Helen Moran upon the occasion of celebrating her 100th Birthday

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 Helen Moran upon the occasion of celebrating her 100th Birthday; and WHEREAS, The daughter of Ray and Tina Wood, Helen was born on Saturday, August 23, 1913, in Rockville Centre, New York; she was the only sister of three brothers, Walter, Eddie and Bob; and WHEREAS, This exceptional centenarian, with her zest for life, has inspired and enhanced the lives of her family and friends; and WHEREAS, A 1931 graduate of South Side High School, despite the Great Depression, Helen was able to find work as a secretary at her father's workplace, Borden's Milk Company; it was here she met her future husband, Peter S. Moran; and

WHEREAS, The young couple were engaged in 1936, married in 1937, and became the loving parents of one son, Peter, in 1940; and

WHEREAS, A devoted wife and mother, Helen Moran moved to the Panama Canal Zone during World War II in order to be with her husband, a civilian worker in the United States Navy; and

WHEREAS, At the end of the war, the Moran family returned to Rockville Centre, where Helen worked for the Telephone Company and dedicated herself to making a loving home for her family; and

WHEREAS, Helen Moran moved to Oceanside, New York, in 1952, and enjoyed life with her husband until his passing in 2003; having returned to Rockville Centre in 2012, she will celebrate her 100th Birthday in the village of her birth; and

WHEREAS, This distinguished woman has experienced the incredible joys and sorrows characteristic of and reserved for those with the stamina and courage to savor a full life; and

WHEREAS, It is the intent of this Legislative Body to publicly recog-

nize 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 Helen Moran upon the occasion of celebrating her 100th Birthday; and be it further

RESOLVED, That a copy of this Resolution, suitably engrossed, be transmitted to Helen Moran.