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LEGISLATIVE RESOLUTION congratulating Margaret Moscater 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, One of 13 children, Margaret Moscater was born Yolanda Margarita Durante in Manhattan, New York, on December 16, 1910; and WHEREAS, Yolanda Margarita Durante was married to Gene Moscater in 1934; together they were blessed with two daughters, Judy and Patricia; the Moscater family lived in Brooklyn until moving to Wantagh, New York, in 1950; and

WHEREAS, Margaret Moscater and her beloved husband loved to dance; their specialties included the Charleston and the Peabody; in 1953, at the annual Fourth of July celebration, the happy couple won the dance competition with flying colors; and

WHEREAS, In addition to raising two wonderful daughters, Margaret Moscater worked much of her adult life mastering a broad set of skills in the workforce; she has been a clerical worker for American Express and an expert seamstress as well as a sales person at Woolworths, Hess and Island Office Supply; and

WHEREAS, Losing her husband after many years of devoted marriage in 1975, today Margaret Moscater is blessed with a growing family; in addition to her two daughters, she is the loving grandmother of four grandchildren and three great-grandchildren, all of whom are proud to be part of her life and rejoice in her many accomplishments; and WHEREAS, This beloved woman has enriched the lives of those around her through her joyous and sincere love for others and through the guiescent charm and wisdom which comes only from a fullness of years; and WHEREAS, Today in her golden years, a feisty woman and lover of chocolate, Margaret Moscater still resides in the Wantagh home she and her husband purchased in 1950, and is often visited by many family members and friends; and

WHEREAS, This exceptional centenarian, with her zest for life, has inspired and enhanced the lives of her family and friends; 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 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 Margaret Moscater upon the occasion of celebrating her 100th Birthday; and be it further RESOLVED, That a copy of this Resolution, suitably engrossed, be transmitted to Margaret Moscater, Wantagh, New York.