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LEGISLATIVE RESOLUTION honoring Irene Lunder Baynes upon the occasion of her designation for special recognition

WHEREAS, It is the sense of this Legislative Body to recognize those particular citizens who, through a lifetime of impressive achievement, are a profound inspiration to all the citizens of our Empire State; and WHEREAS, Attendant to such concern, and in full accord with its long-standing traditions, this Legislative Body is justly proud to honor Irene Lunder Baynes upon the occasion of her designation for special recognition, to be celebrated at her 80th birthday party on Saturday, July 23, 2011; and

WHEREAS, Irene Lunder Baynes was born July 23, 1931, in Brooklyn, New York, to parents Helge Lunder and Emily Lovallo Lunder; she grew up with her siblings, Edmund, Norma, and Robert; and

WHEREAS, In pursuit of academic and career accomplishments, Irene Baynes attended P.S. 212 in Brooklyn, Mark Twain Junior High School in Coney Island, and Lafayette High School in Brooklyn, where she graduated at the age of 16; after graduation, she then became the first female Municipal Bond Trader for Marine Midland Bank, thus broadening the horizons of possibilities for many determined young women; and WHEREAS, Irene Baynes's steadfast support of Buffalo's professional sports teams, including the Buffalo Bills and Buffalo Sabres, involves her not missing a family tailgating party for the past dozen years; she also listens to untelevised Buffalo Sabres' games on her computer; and WHEREAS, Irene Baynes's interests bring her to perfect days on the beach, spent with family, enjoying boating and seafood dinners; she also enjoys Atlantic City and New York City for Broadway shows and sight-seeing; and

WHEREAS, Irene Baynes is known to all as a wonderful mother; a loving

and devoted wife for 48 years, she and her husband, Patrick, had a special bond until his passing in 2001; and

WHEREAS, With her throughout have been her children Patricia, Edward, Jamie, Jaqueline, Joseph and Theodore, her grandchildren, Michael, David, Caitlin, Erica, Elizabeth, Joseph, Christy Lee, Maria, and Madeline, as well as her great-grandchildren, Sadie Jo and Isabella, all of whom feel privileged to be a part of her life and rejoice in her achievements; and

WHEREAS, Irene Baynes has enriched the lives of her family, friends and colleagues through her love and respect for others, and through the wisdom which comes from many years of living life to the fullest; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That this Legislative Body pause in its deliberations to honor Irene Lunder Baynes upon the occasion of her designation for special recognition; and be it further

RESOLVED, That a copy of this Resolution, suitably engrossed, be transmitted to Irene Lunder Baynes.