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LEGISLATIVE RESOLUTION congratulating four residents of Atria Kew Gardens Senior Living upon the occasion of celebrating milestone Birthdays in 2012

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 vital parts of, and valuable assets to, the fabric of community life and activity; and

WHEREAS, It is the sense of this Legislative Body to pay tribute to those exemplary individuals within the State of New York whose personal triumphs serve as an inspiration to all citizens; and

WHEREAS, This Legislative Body is justly proud to congratulate the following residents of Atria Kew Gardens Senior Living upon the occasion of celebrating milestone Birthdays in 2012, and who will be honored at a Centenarian Celebration at the residence on June 21, 2012; and

WHEREAS, Thea Seeman is celebrating her 102nd Birthday on June 24, 2012; Thea is a survivor of the Holocaust who became the personal chef to the Prime Minister of Israel, and continues to enjoy a full, active and involved life at Atria Kew Gardens today; and

WHEREAS, Jeanne Mehler celebrated her 101st Birthday on April 21, 2012; Jeanne is an organizer and leader of Atria Kew Gardens' outstanding Tehillim Prayer Group, which raises funds for worthy charities such as the Red Mogen David (Red Cross) of Israel; and

WHEREAS, Rose Strassburger is celebrating her 100th Birthday on June 19, 2012; Rose is an original Atria Kew Gardens resident, 12 years and counting, and a longtime leader in the local community, who served for 21 years as Chair of the Sisterhood of the Elmhurst Jewish Center; and

WHEREAS, Pauline Krawitz is celebrating her 100th Birthday on July 11, 2012; Pauline enjoyed a long and successful career as a dressmaker, and

has always designed and sewn her own clothes; and

WHEREAS, On June 21, 2012, Atria Senior Living in Kew Gardens, New York, has the pleasure of celebrating the Birthdays of four distinguished residents at a Centenarian Celebration, who have experienced the incredible joys and sorrows characteristic of and reserved for those with the stamina and courage to savor a full life, who have inspired all those around them; 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 honor Thea Seeman upon the occasion of celebrating her 102nd Birthday; Jeanne Mehler on her 101st Birthday; Rose Strassburger on her 100th Birthday; and Pauline Krawitz on her 100th Birthday; and be it further

RESOLVED, That copies of this Resolution, suitably engrossed, be transmitted to Thea Seeman, Jeanne Mehler, Rose Strassburger, Pauline Krawitz, and Atria Kew Gardens Senior Living.