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LEGISLATIVE RESOLUTION congratulating Fordyce Post upon the occasion of celebrating his 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, Son of Catherine and Robert Post, Fordyce Post was born on January 30, 1913 in Kingston, New York; and WHEREAS, Fordyce Post honorably served his country as a member of the Civilian Conservation Corps while stationed in Mississippi; and WHEREAS, In 1936, Fordyce Post married Virginia Freer at Holy Trinity Church, a loving union of over 70 years; and WHEREAS, Throughout his life Fordyce Post wore many hats; he was a self-employed shad fisherman, he worked for C.M. Clay running the gas station, and worked at the Rathgeb Knitting Mill where he ran the steam boilers; and

WHEREAS, Fordyce Post also worked on building the Mid-Hudson Bridge; he was a rivet jack and a climber and was atop the high towers of the bridge on several occasions; and

WHEREAS, In addition, Fordyce Post worked for the New York Central Railroad and spent the majority of his working years at Schatz Federal Bearing Company in Poughkeepsie; he retired in 1974; and WHEREAS, A valued and involved member of his community, Fordyce Post is a past member of the Highland Fire Department; and WHEREAS, This exceptional centenarian, with his zest for life, has inspired and enhanced the lives of his family and friends; and WHEREAS, This distinguished man 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, This beloved man has enriched the lives of those around him through his joyous and sincere love for others and through the quiescent charm and wisdom which comes only from a fullness of years; 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 Fordyce Post upon the occasion of his 100th Birthday; and be it further

RESOLVED, That a copy of this Resolution, suitably engrossed, be transmitted to Fordyce Post.