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LEGISLATIVE RESOLUTION congratulating Katherine Birkle 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 proud to congratulate Katherine Birkle upon the occasion of her 100th Birthday to be celebrated on Tuesday, February 10, 2015, with a party held in her honor; and

WHEREAS, Katherine Birkle was born on February 9, 1915, in Corona, New York; and

WHEREAS, At the age of four, Katherine Birkle and her parents moved to College Point, New York, where her two sisters were born; and

WHEREAS, Katherine Birkle, a graduate of Flushing High School, believed St. John's Church and the Poppenhusen of College Point were the pillar behind her stability and socialization; and

WHEREAS, Katherine Birkle retired in 1971 after many years of distinguished service to Met Life Insurance Company; and

WHEREAS, After the unexpected passing of her mother, Katherine Birkle took on the role of caregiver for her two younger sisters, and devoted her young life to making a loving home for her family; and

WHEREAS, In the 1970s, after her sisters married, Katherine Birkle and her father purchased their first home; 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, This beloved woman has enriched the lives of those around her through her 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 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 Katherine Birkle upon the occasion of celebrating her 100th Birthday; and be it further

RESOLVED, That a copy of this Resolution, suitably engrossed, be transmitted to Katherine Birkle.