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LEGISLATIVE RESOLUTION congratulating Donald Smith upon the occasion of celebrating his 100th Birthday

WHEREAS, It is the intent of this Legislative Body to commemorate and recognize certain milestones celebrated by citizens of this great Nation and Empire State; and

WHEREAS, Attendant to such concern, and in full accord with its long-standing traditions, this Legislative Body is justly proud to congratulate Donald Smith upon the occasion of celebrating his 100th Birthday; and

WHEREAS, Donald Smith was born on February 28, 1915, in Dunkirk, New York, to Laurence and Adeline Smith; and

WHEREAS, From 1933 to 1935, he served as a medic with the Civilian Conservation Corps (CCC) at Letchworth State Park in Genesee Falls, New York; and

WHEREAS, Don and his wife, Patricia, were married in June of 1957; the couple took up residence on Spruce Street in Jamestown and later moved to Driftwood Road; Don and Patricia most recently resided on Dutch Hollow Road in Greenhurst, New York; and

WHEREAS, Among his greatest joy during the last 100 years was raising his family; he takes pride in his family and the values he strove to instill in them over the years; and

WHEREAS, He is the father of five children, Donald Jr., Laureen, Timothy, Michael and Kathleen; he has been further blessed with eight grandchildren, Nick, Lynnsey, Vanessa, Ryan, Michael, Christopher, Benjamin and Samuel; and one great-grandson, Locke; and

WHEREAS, For more than 20 years, Don Smith owned and operated D & S Glass in Jamestown, New York; and

WHEREAS, Throughout his life, Don Smith has been involved with numer-

ous civic organizations, including Elks Lodge No. 263 in Jamestown, where he was named an Honorary Past Exalted Ruler for his more than 50 years of service; and

WHEREAS, In addition, Don Smith partnered with John Alm to found the Chautauqua County Hockey Association in 1975; he also served as Vice President of Administration for Jamestown's first two Babe Ruth World Series in 1980 and 1981; and

WHEREAS, For many years, Don Smith assisted the Salvation Army as a bell ringer, and was an active volunteer for the United Way and the Physical Therapy Department at WCA Hospital in Jamestown; and

WHEREAS, This beloved man has enriched the lives of those around him through his smile and jubilation, and through the charm and wisdom which comes only from a fullness of years; and

WHEREAS, It is the intent of this Legislative Body to publicly recognize and honor the lives of beloved citizens who have reached a remarkable age and who have witnessed and celebrated the innovations, cultural developments, and awesome achievements of this country during the last century; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That this Legislative Body pause in its deliberations to congratulate Donald Smith upon the occasion of celebrating his 100th Birthday; and be it further

RESOLVED, That a copy of this Resolution, suitably engrossed, be transmitted to Donald Smith.