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LEGISLATIVE RESOLUTION congratulating Elsie Grace Fleischmann 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, Elsie Grace Moreland was born on December 31, 1915, in Kenmore, New York; she celebrated her 100th Birthday with a party held in her honor, surrounded by family and fellow residents of Elderwood Grand Island; and

WHEREAS, Raised alongside her nine brothers and sisters, Elsie Grace Moreland graduated from Kenmore High School and went to work at Remington Rand; and

WHEREAS, On August 23, 1938, Elsie Grace Moreland married her husband, Elmer Fleischmann, at St. Stephen Roman Catholic Church; the happy couple then moved to Grand Island, New York; and

WHEREAS, In 1939, Elsie Grace Fleischmann helped found the Grand Island Fire Company Ladies Auxiliary which was essentially the fire company's dispatch system back in the day before first-responders had widespread radio communication; and

WHEREAS, In 1946, Elsie and her husband founded Fleischmann Fuels, a successful business they operated for almost three decades; and

WHEREAS, This exceptional centenarian, with her zest for life, has inspired and enhanced the lives of her family and friends; and

WHEREAS, Today, Elsie Grace Fleischmann enjoys spending time with her daughter, Sally, and a son, David, and four grandchildren, as well as seven great-grandchildren, all of whom feel privileged to be a part of her life and rejoice in her achievements; 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 Elsie Fleischmann upon the occasion of celebrating her 100th Birthday; and be it further

RESOLVED, That a copy of this Resolution, suitably engrossed, be transmitted to Elsie Fleischmann.