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LEGISLATIVE RESOLUTION congratulating Stella Bradley upon the occasion of celebrating her 101st 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 justly proud to congratulate Stella Bradley upon the occasion of celebrating her 101st Birthday at the Orange County Valley View Center for Nursing and Rehabilitation in Goshen, New York; and

WHEREAS, Stella Bradley, the daughter of parents who were from White Russia, was born on January 11, 1915, in New York City where she spent her youth; and

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

WHEREAS, Stella Bradley and her husband moved to Long Island and became the loving parents of four children, including a set of twins; she began working at Howard Johnson's in the commissary, and after a dedicated career which spanned for more than 30 years, she retired as a manager; and

WHEREAS, A devoted wife and mother, Stella Bradley and her family moved to Pompton Lakes, New Jersey, and then to Warwick, New York, where Stella lived for 15 years; and

WHEREAS, Stella Bradley is the proud grandmother of seven grandchildren and 10 great-grandchildren; one of her proudest moments was learning that her grandson is among one of the top French horn players on the East coast; and

WHEREAS, At the senior center, Stella Bradley enjoys life by dancing,

continuing to speak several languages including Russian and Ukrainian,  
and volunteering her time helping others whenever she can; 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, 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 Stella Bradley upon the occasion of celebrating her 101st Birthday; and be it further

RESOLVED, That a copy of this Resolution, suitably engrossed, be transmitted to Stella Bradley.